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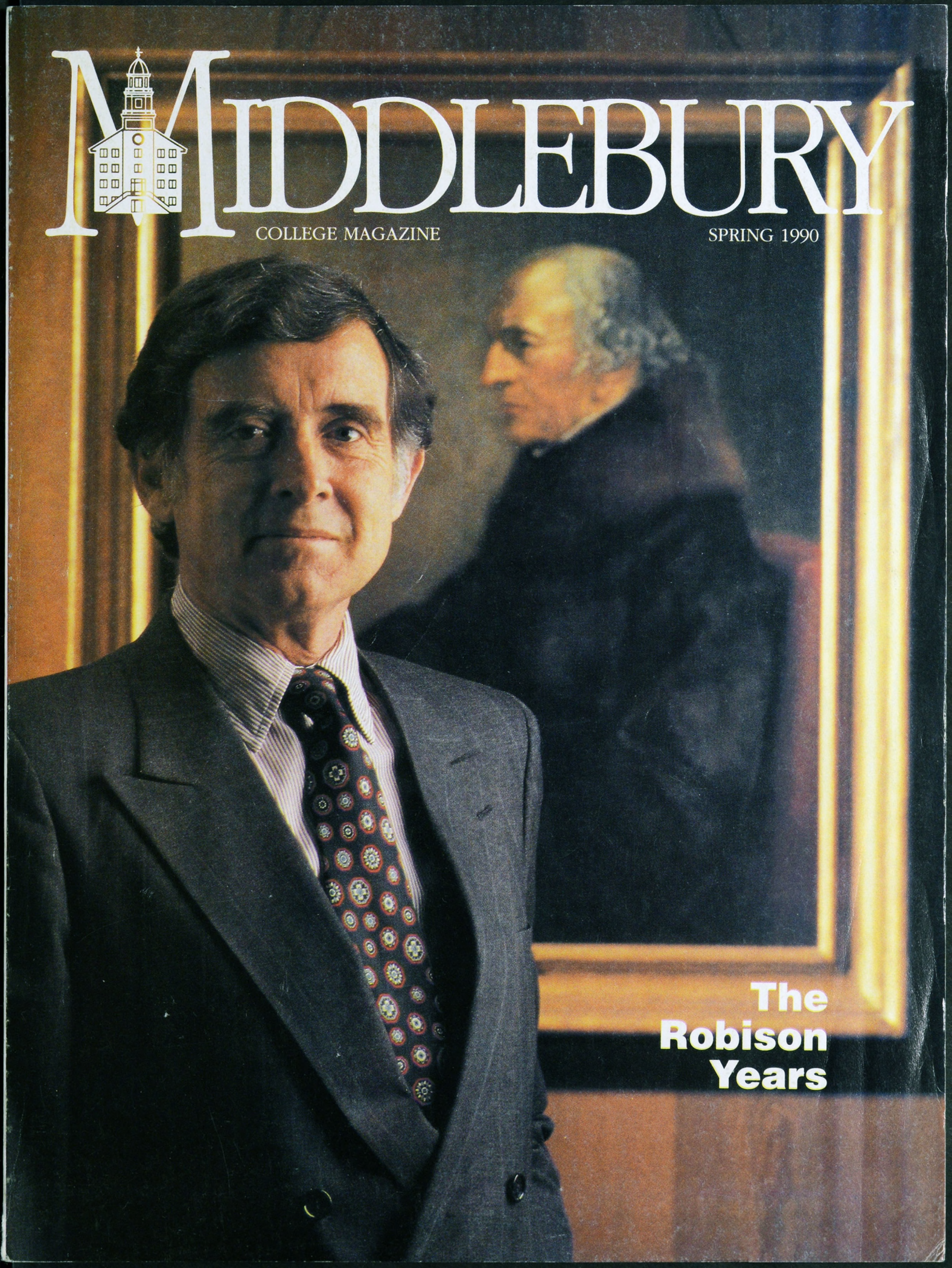

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On the cover: President Olin Robison in the Old Chapel Room, where meetings of the board of trustees are held. The portrait behind Middlebury's 13th president is of Jeremiah Atwater, the College's first president.

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EDITOR'S NOTE

We spend a lot of time talking about the past in this issue: The years since 1975, when Olin Robison became president. And the events of 20 years ago, when the invasion of Cambodia, and the deaths of four students at Kent State at the hands of National Guardsmen, set off protests on college campuses all over the country, including Middlebury's.

I have pretty vivid memories of the spring of 1970 — and some of them may even be accurate. I know for sure that it was my freshman year, and that I was already overwhelmed by college life, even before the complications of political awareness and the need for political action were thrust upon us all. I remember meetings in Mead Chapel, the building packed to the rafters, hearing sentiments that ranged from the thoughtful to the ludicrous expressed by professors, students and administrators.

I can remember talking about things, a lot. I particularly recall (it seems to me it was in 1970, but it may have been a year later) sitting in a room on the third floor of Gifford, discussing what was happening on campus and in the world with Stuart Novins, a veteran correspondent for CBS News, who seemed to me merely omniscient. He knew everything about everything. And he not only knew it, he could express it. He was the father of a friend, Larry Novins '73, who lived on our hall. And though I met Stuart Novins only once or twice in my life, he's the person probably most responsible for my career as a journalist, such as it is. Stuart Novins died not too long ago. I hadn't seen him in about 20 years; he probably wouldn't have known me if I had seen him. But I felt like I'd lost a close friend.

I can also remember, in May of 1970, staying up all night with friends to "guard" Gifford Hall, keeping it safe from the arsonist, identity unknown, who had torched Recitation Hall. As it happened, it had been a student with emotional problems who had burned the building down. And our tours of guard duty were, happily, uneventful.

It seems a long time ago. But the story on the strike, by Steve Early '70, makes it come to life again. In a companion piece, Susan Palmer '89 talks to some student activists and faculty members who feel that era is largely forgotten, and that Middlebury's students are less politically aware today than they were 20 years ago.

That may be true. But it doesn't mean that some students aren't working for causes they believe in. For example, dozens of Middlebury students took part in the state and national Pro-Choice Mobilization this past fall. Their story is told by Barbara Matusik '91 in this issue.

And in April, a group of students organized a black out to protest plans by Vermont utilities to purchase power produced by Canada's huge James Bay hydro-electric project. Opponents argue that the Hydro Quebec project will flood many square miles of land, and substantially change the lifestyle of the native Inuit population. Not long ago, a group of Inuits passed through Vermont, canoeing down Lake Champlain on their way to Washington to protest the project.

Of course, students continue to be active in areas other than politics, in the town of Middlebury and around the state. Take, for one small example, the youth soccer program put on by the Middlebury Recreation Department, which had its opening day not long ago. More than 150 kids are taking part in the program, which is run by Terry Plum '69, a reference librarian at Starr Library. And most of the coaching staff is made up of Middlebury students — about a dozen of them, including some of the stars of the college soccer teams. This spring, you'll also find college students coaching girls' and boys' lacrosse teams at the junior and senior high school.

Indeed, just about anywhere you look in Addison County, when you see organizations that require volunteers, you'll usually see Middlebury students.

Of course, coaching little kids in soccer doesn't have quite the same cachet as working against the war in Vietnam, or rallying for women's reproductive rights. But Middlebury, the town and the college, wouldn't be the kind of place it is without the involvement of college students, in both political and social spheres. It's something we don't often celebrate, but something that we can't imagine doing without.

— T.E.

LETTERS

The Middlebury College Magazine *welcomes letters from readers on the contents of the magazine or on topics related to the College. To be published, letters must be signed, and should be addressed to: The Editor,* Middlebury College Magazine,*Wilson House, Middlebury, VT 05753.*

On the faculty and athletic facilities

Editor: I cannot help but be indignant at the sophomoric position that both *The Campus* and some members of the faculty have taken toward the philanthropic development of the athletic facilities. As a contributing alumnus, to both academic and athletic need, I hope that Middlebury will try to be exceptional in *all* aspects of college life. I hope the College will recruit exceptional professors and reward them accordingly. I hope that professors make exceptional contributions to their field, the College and their students. I hope that our computer facilities are the best available at any institution. I hope we have an exceptional dance group. I hope the quality of food served at Proctor Hall is exceptional compared to other academic institutions. I hope that the Ultimate Frisbee team will again compete at the national championships. I hope that our new Arts Center and Student Center are exceptional. I hope that our athletic facilities are exceptional. I hope that *The Campus* and WRMC are exceptional. I resent the cacophony of cackling criticism from parties that seek to destroy the achievement of excellence in any area that does not serve their individual interests.

Every academic institution is in continual need of upgrading and expanding its facilities. Middlebury has done so. New dorms needed to be built. The old dorms needed to be refurbished. The College needed a new computer center. The College needed a new student center and center for the arts. These needs were met in an exceptional manner. We still have inadequacies in other areas that need to be addressed; the Starr and Science libraries, offices, science equipment, and an 80-year-old condemned football stadium and cinder track on which the movie *Chariots of Fire* could have been filmed.

A college the size of Middlebury has limited funds to address these capital needs. If someone were to donate monies for the Science Library, should we refuse on the grounds that we need monies for Starr Library? If someone were to donate monies for the Science Center, should the mathematics department ask the trustees to publicly disavow all plans until their needs have been met? How can a professor of mathematics and many of the faculty not realize that the College is the sum of its individual parts, all of which contribute to its whole. If one of the parts can be made greater without subtracting from another, is not the whole more?

The construction of these facilities in no way diminishes the importance of academic needs and considerations. It is, in fact, a statement of the importance of academic needs that no funds from the College or the present capital drive may be used for athletic purposes. *Ceterus paribus,* the College needs a new football stadium and track as they are presently "embarrassingly far behind all our competition." The College also needs the monies to build them. In the construction of these facilities, trustees have the opportunity to use monies that would not otherwise be available. The funds are generously being made available now, and may not be in the future.

The entire Middlebury College community should be excited that they will be given a new facility which will only add to the whole. The College should be saddened that there are those who wish only to play a zero sum game and limit our ability to strive, to achieve, to be exceptional.

KEVIN P. MAHANEY '84
Bangor, Maine

After reading Fred Neuberger's thoughtful moving remembrance of Coach Duke Nelson in the Winter issue it was infuriating to read of the faculty resolution finding "no apparent need" for a new sports stadium.

Since the deteriorated conditions of the existing facilities at Porter Field are beyond dispute, the real target of the resolution must be the athletic program itself. If not, then I wonder what are the true reasons for such an untimely resolution.

As alumni, we too are very concerned with the appropriate mission of our institution. As alumni we are proud of the steadily increasing prestige Middlebury has achieved in the academic world as its graduates make names for themselves in all fields of endeavor.

Many of us believe these successes are in great measure a result of things taught in Middlebury campus activities as well as its classrooms. We want this kind of education to continue to be available for our children and their children as they prepare to enter the *real world* of careers and competition.

In my opinion that is the true mission of Middlebury College.

The thought that "a large majority" of the existing faculty opposes upgrading of obsolete athletic facilities is frightening.

I hope that the board of trustees will continue its efforts to implement the master plan and build the new stadium as soon as possible.

RALPH A. LOVEYS '51
Florham Park, N.J.

On the faculty and the fraternities

Last spring (1989), I returned to Middlebury for my 60th reunion. While there I attended the symposium "Middlebury Today" conducted by three faculty members and one 1989 graduate. During the symposium the statement was made that two thirds of the expanding faculty were not at Middlebury six years ago. To me this statistic was both startling and revealing.

This means that the proposed revamping of the social structure of the college is being made by a group the majority of whom have had six years or less background to make such far reaching proposals. I think these proposals are a step in the direction of a society that denies freedom of choice and freedom of assembly in legal groups that have further ties to national associations. Such suppressions have been tried at various times in history, usually in attempts to form a classless society. As far as I know they haven't worked yet.

There is a problem with fraternities at Middlebury and they are being attacked both from within and with strong help from the national offices. Colleges and universities across the country have similar situations and in many cases they have

In the fall of 1989, the Trustees of Middlebury College established the Gamaliel Painter's Cane Society in order to recognize a very special group of alumni and friends. Members of the Society will include all Middlebury supporters who have made deferred gifts or who have included a bequest to Middlebury in their will. Over the past several years, and especially during the Campaign for Middlebury, this group has grown significantly and has provided substantial support to the College.

All alumni and friends of Middlebury are invited to be recognized as members of the Gamaliel Painter's Cane Society by informing the Planned Giving Office that they have included Middlebury in their will or by making a deferred gift. The College wishes to express its deepest appreciation to members of the Society for their commitment to Middlebury and for carrying on the legacy of Gamaliel Painter.

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"And he left his all by will to the College on the hill; and included in a codicil a cane."

been dealt with when responsible cores in the houses have taken control and established rules on decent behavior and the use of alcohol both within and on campus. Those not agreeing with these rules have been asked to resign and move out. One group concluded the restructuring by changing the initiation program to consist of sending all initiates to an accelerated three-day program in Outward Bound. I cannot find any evidence that anybody in the faculty has made any attempt to try to find out any of the positive things that have been successful in other colleges. In their argument, opinions are stated as facts and there is nothing that suggests that they want to give fraternities a chance to address the issues.

Now in the Winter issue (1990) of *Middlebury College Magazine* I find that the faculty have elected to also make themselves the arbiter of what athletic facilities the College does or does not need — page 14, the open letter of Bruce Peterson.

If the faculty of Middlebury want to help improve the social structure of the College I suggest that they (1) cease proposing experiments with the structure and (2) confine their activities to what I think they were hired to do — teach school.

CHARLES W. ALLEN '29
Hillsboro, N.H.

When asked where I went to college I have often described Middlebury as a small school tucked away in the green hills of Vermont. After following the progress of the fraternity flail, I will probably modify my description to a small-minded school in Vermont. Because one fraternity was guilty of poor social behavior, I find it amazing and amusing that one philosophy teacher's ardent disapproval has seemingly toppled the entire fraternity structure. Now I read that from a religious standpoint fraternities do not contribute to a society of equal opportunity between the sexes. What's next? The football team obviously must go, and the hockey team, and Blue Key and Phi Beta Kappa, and anything else someone doesn't like, doesn't understand, or wasn't invited to join.

How many students go to Middlebury to prepare for an equal opportunity society? I thought a liberal arts education was designed to prepare one for the real world and not some Utopia. Doesn't the existing fraternity system with its social exclusion, group similarity and identification provide just what we all need after graduation —fraternization with a peer group for support, socialization and growth? Are

Middlebury graduates now all to become a bunch of liberal Democrat ERA clones, or will the College continue to provide a rich, diverse environment where individuals can mature, interact, make friends and be given the opportunity to succeed or fail on their own merits?

The changes in the Middlebury dormitory system, from strict separation with curfew, to co-ed dorms, and back to separation, is but one example of the pendulum effect. I am certain after all the anti-fraternity elements have had their say and calm again prevails that fraternities (and sororities) will again be a prominent feature of the Middlebury experience.

RONALD K. OHSLUND '57 (Theta Chi)
Pensacola, Fla.

Fraternities days should be numbered

I was interested to see Middlebury represented in the upper left hand corner of the *Daily Tar Heel* (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) on Thursday, January 25, 1990, in an article entitled "Middlebury orders coed fraternities." In the piece they recount the adventures of Delta Upsilon which was cited in the magazine some issues ago.

My time at Middlebury was quite different than it appears now. Deep in the Wonnacott Era, the early Seventies provided us with enough conflict and anxiety to force the blossoming of powerful feminist organizations and general socio-cultural awareness. Coeducational housing policies were introduced and widened. The presence of fraternities had been minimized by attrition. The majority of students turned to the College or to the town drinking establishments for our entertainment emporia. These places offered opportunities to interact with faculty, local residents, and differing cliques (as most of us developed early friendships on the basis of dormitory placement). In fact, we may have been broadened by some of the "mistakes" which were made in the name of, or for the sake of, our affiliation with those three groupings.

The issue of single-sex, college-supported housing, with selective admission criteria, presents one difficulty; though history would allow for male bonding in private, in most cases. The protection of privacy would ideally allow for sequestering dangerous and violent acts within the confines of this bonding process, and history has watched the hazing and rushing without a wink. But I must agree with the original opinion expressed by many faculty members when it comes to the funding and administrative support provided for the fraternities. Their existence should have been contingent upon the forwarding of the goals of the College and the students, and the blatant acts of violence against women have made their existence unacceptable.

As a neurologist with special training and interest in the treatment of chronic pain disorders, I have contact with an inordinate amount of human dysfunction. And within this realm of suffering I also see an inordinate amount of physical and sexual abuse directed against women. The long-term ramifications of growing up in a culture of violence against women, where constitutional protection is not available, should force the liberal arts institutions from whom our leaders flow to address any act as explicit as the one previously cited (at DU), with clarity of purpose and vision.

My education at Middlebury occurred only in part within the confines of the classroom. I was always aware of the tradition of educational liberalism at this oldest of coeducational private institutions. It is surely a mistake to continue the existence of the named fraternities as owned and funded housing, even within the constraints of the Town & Gown relationship which is extant in Middlebury. The houses should be converted and offered by standard procedure.

Though times may have changed, I trust that values will not. It may be late, but the time has come for Middlebury to again break ranks with the past, and dissolve the myths of dominance and entitlement. I imagine that the frats will capitulate, and that change will occur, nevertheless. But, I admire the faculty for the stand; and till such time when the College and students declare their allegiance to truly progressive education, I remain,

ALAN G. FINKEL, M.D., '75
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CIA protest displays immaturity

Your report in the Winter 1990 issue describing students protesting CIA recruitment on October 17, 1989, was for me seriously disquieting. (Quite possibly a "silent majority" of other alumni had a similar reaction.) I found it disquieting because it may reflect a deficiency in the effectiveness of faculty and administration guidance of student perceptions toward the maturity and realism they will need when they emerge into the outside world.

Let me explain my reaction with three comments.

First, on the substance of the issue, the protest seemed to reflect a selective prejudice rather than a laudable ideal. Protesters were said to condemn the CIA for "unethical and illegal activity"; your report does not provide substantiating evidence of this, but I think I know to what it refers. But a similar charge may be laid to President Bush for resorting to "blue smoke and mirrors" to whitewash his irresponsibly inadequate efforts to correct the Government's fiscal deficit. Supplementing this unsavory behavior is the revelation of corruption among members of Congress and officials in high places of several Government departments, as well as persisting efforts by the Defense Department to overstate the threat posed by the Soviet Union to our military security.

In the face of these revelations I have not read of organized student protest at Middlebury to inhibit individuals from working for the Federal Government or running for Congress. Thus my finding that the student protest against the CIA represents a selective prejudice rather than some idealistic principle resting on mature reflection. And from my own contacts with friends working at several professional levels within the CIA, I have no doubt that there is as much opportunity for individuals to make an honest and valued contribution to our national welfare in CIA, as in other areas of Government. Nor should we overlook the considerable number of Midd alumni here in the defense intelligence agencies whose work is similar to that done in the CIA, who should not be automatically categorized as betraying the ideals of Middlebury!

Second, I found the protest disquieting for the tactics used, which seem to me wholly incompatible with a functioning political democracy. Chaplain Walsh is said to regard the protest as in the tradition of American civil disobedience. But if I understand correctly the essence of civil disobedience, it means the passive refusal by individuals to comply with rules that are perceived as "not right." It does not extend to organized aggressive action to impose by force their views on those who do not share them. Such action is culpable in seeking to deprive the majority of their right to behave in conformity with their personal views. (I use the word "force" advisedly, noting Chaplain Walsh's use of that word.) A procedure consistent with political democracy would not have extended to a sit-in in the CC&P office nor the disgraceful harassment of a visiting

official, of whom there was no reason to suspect dishonest, unethical or illegal behavior.

Third, if this protest, so unsound both in substance and in procedure, were confined to the freshman and sophomore classes in the College, we older alumni could find it understandable and even acceptable as part of the growing process — excusing it with a phrase (familiar to my generation) that they are still "wet behind the ears." But if the protest group extends equally to the junior and senior classes, it suggests some deficiency on the part of faculty and administration in guiding students toward the kind of mature and realistic perceptions of the world they will need when they emerge shortly from the College. (Or should I look at the situation from the opposite end — and feel gratified that the majority of students do *not* share the half-baked notions of the protesters?)

I should add that in the years that I have been visiting the College for lectures and observation of classes, I have been impressed that some of the social science curricula seem less "ivory-towerish" than in the years when I was an undergraduate. Is it too much to expect that the extra-curricular political life of students should be equally free of unrealistic attitudes? Or is it an inevitable part of the process of developing social conscience that occasionally waves of emotion must replace reason? (I recall an equally misguided — and more widespread — drive to force the College to purge its endowment funds of securities of multinational corporations doing business in South Africa.)

Faithfully a fan of the College,
FREDERICK C. DIRKS '30
Bethesda, Md.

Is he profiteer or preservationist?

Back when I was a Middlebury student, the College used to boast of its location in the "shire town of Addison County," an area that supported a viable agriculture-based economy independent of the academic community. Now I see from your Winter 1990 cover story ("The making of the Marble Works") that the College sees Middlebury as a magnet for exploitative developers who could transform a once-thriving Vermont village into a condo-miniumized, quaintified monument to our consumerist culture.

This is not surprising, given that the College itself has become the area's most profligate real estate developer. But several howlers in the article demand rebuttal.

The first is that development is "headed Middlebury's way . . . like it or not." As I write, several New England banks are at or near failure owing to portfolios bloated with defaulting retail and condo projects — needless developments that sensible growth control policies could have averted.

The second is your dismissal of the painstaking permitting process that faced the Frog Hollow bridge as "frustrating . . . bureaucratic difficulty." Stream alteration permits, review by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, wetlands preservation statutes, hydro power regulatory laws, and state environmental statutes are there so that special places like Otter Creek will exist long after our bids to develop them have crumbled. The burden of proof is and ought to be on developers like Townsend Anderson to show why they should be allowed to make an indelible mark on the earth for their personal gain.

Finally there is Anderson's self-description, unchallenged by you, as "reluctant developer." You vastly underestimate your Middlebury-educated readership. Anderson isn't reluctant, just clever enough to hide his profiteering behind a facade of historic preservation.

As your article notes, the College and Anderson have worked together on other development projects. This should have disqualified the College magazine, on conflict-of-interest grounds, from writing about him. Shame on you for doing so anyway. If the motto chiseled into the entablature of Mead Chapel is correct, you'll answer for it sooner or later.

DONALD M. KREIS '80
Portland, Maine

The writer, Debby Hodge '60, replies: For the record, the College had nothing to do with Towny Anderson's Marble Works project. The two notable projects that involved the College and Anderson — the John Warren House and the Painter House — rescued from near rubble two historic buildings, and enhanced the village. And, while Anderson is not exactly altruistic in his development project, he is hardly a profiteer, which my dictionary defines as a "person who makes excessive profits, especially by taking advantage of a shortage of supply to charge exorbitant prices."

Racism hides behind a smokescreen

Caryl Entwistle Huffaker's outrage at what she perceives as the apparent reverse discrimination of the Middlebury College admissions office ("Letters," Autumn 1989) seems to me to be no more than a smokescreen used far too often today to allow institutionalized racism to continue to flourish in our country. It is unrealistic to assume that all minority students at Middlebury need "special considerations"; many of the minority students I knew were academically well-prepared coming from middle-class families and excellent school systems.

Ms. Huffaker's letter seems to be about those students who *do* receive special considerations, so I will speak only of them in this letter. I find her reference to Food Stamps to be particularly offensive; what point is she trying to make by asking if Middlebury believes "a degree from the college was to be given away like Food Stamps"? Perhaps she is trying to draw subtle attention to her belief that minorities in society at large, just as they are unjustly given "special consideration" at Middlebury, are given special freebies such as Food Stamps. Surely Ms. Huffaker could not be implying this, because as a well-educated person, she must be aware that the average Food Stamp recipient in this country is white and under the age of five. I wonder if Ms. Huffaker would use the Food Stamp comparison so casually if she ever tried to feed herself or her family on them.

Would that Ms. Huffaker could change her race tomorrow so that she could experience first-hand what "special consideration" she would receive for her minority status — special considerations which help to contribute to a black infant mortality rate higher than that of South Africa, and considerations which fill U.S. prisons with disproportionate numbers of young black and Hispanic men.

I do not believe it should be held against anyone that they are "well prepared, rich and white" until they start seeing these attributes as something of merit that they have somehow earned. Let's not, on the other hand, penalize minority students for being academically ill prepared, poor, and non-white — they do not deserve to live in substandard housing, attend second-rate, drug-infested schools, and receive inadequate health care anymore than Ms. Huffaker or the "best and brightest" that she has interviewed deserve, or have earned, the advantages they have reaped from their privileged status.

Ms. Huffaker seems to confuse disadvantaged with unqualified; any student who can escape the cycle of drugs, violence and ignorance that is often an inseparable part of living poor in America is the kind of student that Middlebury needs to

become the diverse and intellectually challenging environment it can and should be.

Ms. Huffaker says that she learned at Middlebury to "strive for excellence in thought . . . and ethical behavior"; her letter concerning minority admissions at the College reflects neither; rather it is a disturbing example of the worst kind of reactionary thinking used to maintain an unjust system based on privilege for the "deserving" wealthy and blame for the "undeserving" minority. If Ms. Huffaker is concerned about giving money to an institution which reflects the beliefs she promotes in her letter, perhaps a donation to the National Association for the Advancement of "the well-prepared, rich and white" would be more appropriate than Middlebury College.

HOLLEY DASCHBACH '84
Brighton, Mass.

'A childish diatribe'

My immediate reaction to Ron Power's response (Winter 1990) to Caryl Huffaker's letter (Autumn 1989) was, "If the best the opposition can present is this childish diatribe, it's clear that Caryl has the stronger, more reasoned position."

A little more thought convinces me that there had to be more reasoned responses, and so I feel that the *Middlebury College Magazine*, by publishing this kind of response, endorses Caryl's position. I am sorry that you can't be more objective about this issue. Objectivity is or should be an essential characteristic of a liberal arts college and objectivity has always been an essential and necessary element of life in Vermont.

Isn't it time that we return to an objective assessment of Middlebury's role and goals? Isn't it also time we listen to loyal alums with a 40-year association to the College rather than a visiting professor with an association measured in days or months?

NANCY THOMSEN RAND '52
Berwyn, Pa.

Editor's note: As it happens, Ron Powers' letter was the only written response to Caryl Huffaker's views that we received before the deadline for our Winter issue.

More — much more — on language assassination

I was greatly amused by the irony of the letter from Jean Baillie Scafe '43 ("Letters," Winter 1990). How strange that she carries on extensively about what she calls "the willful assassination of our native language," clucks about her proofreading experience at the *New York Times*, implies that she used a heavy book of grammar and mechanics rules at some time in her "checkered career," sees "grammatical errors everywhere," and then proceeds to write the following: "I would have raised holy hell . . . with *whomever* was responsible." The word Ms. Scafe wants is *whoever*, the subject of the noun clause that serves in its entirety as the object of the pronoun *with*!

MARY JO HOOVER TRACY,
Bread Loaf '72
Naples, Fla.

Perhaps there are no longer many who care about correctness in form and usage, although I hope that every member of the English Department, whether bald or shaggy, does. Obviously Jean Baillie Scafe does. I am another.

What happened to the Post Script to her letter in the Winter issue appears to yet another (and ironic) instance of language assassination resulting from "pilot error." With her credentials it is inconceivable that Ms. Scafe should be guilty of such a barbarism as "with whomever was responsible."

As she says, "It is *not* okay," and "There is *no* excuse!"

My guess is that, in this latest murder, an overly zealous but unenlightened typographer, mistakenly supposing the single word of the object of the preposition *with*, sought to spare Ms. Scafe embarrassment by "correcting" her use of *whoever*. And my guess is that Ms. Scafe is seething. She deserves another apology.

MARGARET DOUCOUMES
BURRELL, M.A. Bread Loaf '45
Queensbury, N.Y.

Editor's note: Guess again. The error was Jean Scafe's.

Lest Mr. Etchells feel too guilty ... What a shame that, in all her frustration over a line break and concerns about grammar, Ms. Scafe included this clause (". . . with whomever was responsible . . .") in her P.S. It should read "whoever." (Subject of the verb in its own clause.)

T.L. GAILLARD, Bread Loaf '70
Lake Forest, Ill.

It appears to another ex-editor — me —
That Jean Baillie Scafe, class of '43,
Needs to take a deep breath, relax, and pause
Before condemning all language flaws.
Perfectionist Jean, learned and clever,
Is there no excuse for your own *whomever*?

ISABEL INGHAM
BAUMGARTNER '37
Kingsport, Tenn.

Jean Baillie Scafe was justified in calling your attention to the error of hyphenating "chest." However, I feel she did so unnecessarily vehemently. In addition, she added her opinion of the value of her overblown qualifications to justify her making the criticism.

As a result, I want to point out two errors in her composition.

1. "Which is just what this is." This is capitalized and punctuated as a sentence. It is a relative clause. The antecedent — assassination — is in the preceding sentence.

2. ". . . with whomever was responsible." "Whomever" should be "whoever" because it is the subject of "was."

The writer includes in her letter, "I see grammatical errors everywhere." It is too bad she doesn't see her own.

HORACE C. LAUBACH,
M.A. Bread Loaf '50
Media, Pa.

Thanks for the willingness to accept the blame for a bad line break by the computer/typesetter, and the subsequent poor proofreading. We forget, sometimes, that people learn by what they see and hear; those of us in education, especially, have an obligation to be as correct as possible as often as possible. It matters. And Ms. Scafe is right: There is no excuse for carelessness.

However, we must also remember to temper our righteous indignation with humility as we "raise holy hell . . . with whomever was responsible," to quote Ms. Scafe. We all make mistakes — and hers was *whomever* instead of *whoever*. When we realize how routine our errors are, perhaps revision to correct our own work as well as others' will become routine as well.

ANNE PALMER, M.A. French '86
Birmingham, Ala.

I am forced — in all good humor — to comment on the letter from Jean Baillie Scafe '43 regarding division of a word at the end of a line. She's right, but let him (her) who is without sin cast the first stone. (Let me say immediately that that may not be an exact rendition of the saying.)

Surely her sentence, ". . . I would have raised holy hell, to pardon the expression, with *whomever* (emphasis added) was

responsible," deserves comment. The *subject* of the last clause should surely be in the nominative case — "whoever was responsible." The whole clause is the object of the preposition "with."
MARION ANDERSON JORDAN '42
Bethesda, Md.

I was interested to read the vehement letter from Jean Baillie Scafe '43 in the Winter 1990 magazine. Her denunciation of the bad line break in the Autumn issue and her plea for closer attention to proofreading and grammar are certainly laudable; however, I was surprised that she committed a grammatical error of her own!

Ms. Scafe writes, "I would have raised holy hell, to pardon the expression, with whomever was responsible." She perhaps thinks that the pronoun "whomever" is the object of the preposition "with," thereby justifying her use of the objective case of the pronoun. However, the object of the preposition "with" is the entire noun clause, "whomever (sic) was responsible." Ms. Scafe should have written "whoever" instead of "whomever."

Best wishes for the continued excellence of the magazine. As you can tell, I read every word.
JIM RUGEN '74
Windsor, Conn.

I agree wholeheartedly with Jean Baillie Scafe's outcry against the "assassination of our native language." She voices my sentiments as I watch it being mutilated at all levels from our local newspaper to a seminary professor writing in an alumni publication. Since the advent of word processors we are evidently no longer protected from the shortcomings of individual writers by eagle-eyed proofreaders.

My enjoyment of her letter was marred, however, by the intrusion of two sentence fragments and the phrase "with whomever was responsible."

The object of the preposition "with" is the entire clause "whoever was responsible"; "whoever" is the subject of said clause. (This particular misconstruction happens to be one of *my* pet peeves.)

Also, the failure to capitalize caused me to do a double-take on her well-chosen opening quote before recognizing that what looked like a dumb beast was actually the vocative case of Brutus.

Having seen one of my own letters undergo strange changes between leaving my hands and appearing in our local paper, I don't know whether these errors pertain to the writer or to the printing process (which presumably includes a word processor). Please accept this letter as coming from a kindred spirit.
LAURA CHAPMAN RICO '53
Los Banos, Calif.

Surely you must be inundated by now with all sorts of reactions to Jean Baillie Scafe's egregious error in her P.S. on page 6 of your Winter issue! To me, this was infinitely more reprehensible than a bad word break.

Of course, what made it particularly mirth-provoking was the fact that the subject of her scathing letter was language assassination.

Could it be that she tucked it in there intentionally as a trap just to see what response it would engender?

(I better re-read the above to make sure I haven't made any similar errors.)
LOUISE KELLEY, M.A. French '38
Newport, N.H.

Editor's note: We shared some of these letters with Jean Scafe, who replied: "It was most interesting to receive the response to my criticism of your editing, and the dividing of words. I hadn't realized that I might raise such a flap! Mea culpa re my own error. I must have been in such an emotional furor when I wrote my letter that I made a grammatical error, while chastising you on your editing one. Ah me! Along those lines, I have a question for you, which has puzzled me for many years. I turn this one over to your jury. Which is correct: All things come to him . . . who waits. Or: All things come to . . . he who waits. Can anyone out there in Middleburyland know which is correct? Or are both? And if so, which should be used, or both? I wait." Ms. Scafe also pointed out an additional irony concerning her original letter. When it was printed, we spelled her first name Jeanne. But the correct spelling is Jean. She concludes: "Are we all even?" And we conclude, You bet.

On Spanish punctuation

In the latest *Middlebury College Magazine* (Winter 1990) on page 20 you refer to a monograph on the Spanish writer Peréz Galdós.

I am quite surprised to note the absence of punctuation marks as they appear properly in the preceding paragraph of this letter.

This is particularly disturbing in view of Middlebury's distinguished Spanish program, including the summer Spanish language school.
JOHN F. BOURS '49
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Peggy Nelson deserves praise

I was delighted (but not surprised) to see Peggy Nelson recognized for her contribution to Middlebury (Spring '89). The class I took with her six years ago sticks in my mind as one of the highlights and turning points of my undergraduate career. Professor Nelson's course challenged my comfortable complacency, forcing me to examine both intellectual and moral preconceptions. Her enthusiasm, clarity and intellectual integrity remain a model for me now as I stand on the other side, facing my first class of undergraduates.
MARIELLA COLVIN '84
University of Chicago

A letter she wanted to write

I found reading the letter to the editor from Philippa B. Anderson '75 (Winter 1990) a bit embarrassing: I was sorry that I did not write it. Mea culpa. When I saw the photo to which she refers (a photo, in the Summer 1989 issue, of a Middlebury College contingent at a pro-choice rally in Washington, D.C.), I was offended, as was Ms. Anderson, and considered writing just what she did. She, however, took the time and effort to communicate her feelings; I thank her for that. I hope I have learned form her good example.
JUDITH LUGA STEPHENS,
M.A. French '71, *Niles, Ill.*

When winner's fans acted more like losers

On March 3, at the championship game of the recent ECAC hockey tournament at Middlebury, I witnessed a supreme irony. Marjorie Nelson, the neglected widow of Duke Nelson '32 for whom the Nelson Arena is named, was kept waiting in the cold for an hour outside the field house, though offensive and sometimes obscene AIC supporters were admitted early. They were heard to brag of the cases of beer in their illegally parked cars out front; the tasteful beer bottle fresco that greeted us as we left after the game must have been of their doing.

I strongly feel that, as Duke's widow, Marjorie should receive special consideration from the College, especially on occasions such as the hockey tournament, or any College function connected with any aspect of the athletic program.

I hope that the alumni, especially Duke's boys, will back me up, and let their opinions be known.
JOHN H. CLAGETT
Professor Emeritus of English, Middlebury, Vt.

AROUND THE HILL

Comprehensive fee at $20,300

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Student Center wins approval from the state

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Students join in pro-choice rallies

Dr. Timothy Light is the unanimous choice

Timothy Light will be the 14th president of Middlebury College. A professor of linguistics and Asian studies and acting president at Kalamazoo College in Michigan, Light was the unanimous choice of the trustees, faculty, staff, alumni and students who served on the presidential search committee and the search advisory committee. He will succeed Olin C. Robison, Middlebury's president since 1975, who last fall announced his intention to step down after this academic year.

The trustees elected Light, also unanimously, at their meeting on March 10, and later that same day he was introduced to the College community by Milt Peterson '57, chairman of the board, and Allan Dragone '50, chairman of the search committee, at a meeting in Mead Chapel.

Light, 51, has been at Kalamazoo College since 1986, serving first as provost and then, since last year, as acting president. His previous academic appointments have been at New Asia College of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, the University of Arizona, the Ohio State University and the Beijing Language Institute. He received a B.A. in English Literature in 1960 from Yale University, magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa. He

In Mead Chapel, from left, Tim Light, Joy Light and Milt Peterson .

Timothy Light, the president-elect

Personal:

Born, November 5, 1938, Kalamazoo, Mich. Wife, Joy C. Light; two daughters, Ann and Claire

Education:

1960, B.A. (English literature), Yale University, magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Scholar of the House.
1965, B.D. (M.Div.), Union Theological Seminary.
1966, M.A. (teaching English as a foreign language), Teachers College, Columbia University.
1974, Ph.D. (linguistics), Cornell University.

Academic Career:

1960-62, 1966-71: New Asia College, the Chinese University of Hong Kong (served at various times as tutor, assistant lecturer, lecturer, director of the English language program, head of the department of English, acting director of the Chinese Language Center, and representative of the Yale-in-China Association.
1974-80: University of Arizona; served as assistant and then associate professor of Oriental Studies; as director of the East Asia Center; and as coordinator of the Chinese language program).
1980-86: The Ohio State University; professor and chairman of the department of East Asian Languages and Literatures; since 1986, adjunct professor of Chinese.
Autumn 1983: Beijing Language Institute; visiting professor of applied linguistics; since 1985, adjunct professor of applied linguistics.
1986-present: Kalamazoo College; provost and professor of linguistics and Asian studies; since 1989, acting president.

Publications:

Seven books and monographs — the most recent book being *Waiyu Jiaoxuefa: Lilun yu Shijian* ("Lectures in Modern Chinese Language Teaching Methodology: Theory and Practice," published by the Beijing Language Institute in 1987, in Chinese — and dozens of articles and reviews.

Tim Light, Middlebury's president-elect, addresses the crowd at the meeting in Mead Chapel called to announce his selection to the College community.

also holds master's degrees from Union Theological Seminary (divinity, 1965) and Columbia University's Teachers College (teaching English as a second language, 1966). He received a doctorate in linguistics from Cornell University in 1974.

His wife, Joy C. Light, received an A.B. degree from Chen Qing College in Hong Kong and an M.A. in social work from the University of Wisconsin, and has done graduate work in museum studies. She has worked as a social worker in New York City, started a successful Asian art gallery (the Lights are collectors of Oriental art), and has worked extensively with programs for foster children.

Tim and Joy Light hope to be settled in the president's house at 3 South Street by the end of the summer.

At the all-college meeting in Mead Chapel, Allan Dragone '50, the chairman of the trustee search committee, introduced Tim and Joy Light to the College community. Dragone described Joy Light as "a sensitive and able person who always leaves an academic locale much better off due to her efforts, and we are lucky to have her." Tim Light, Dragone said, "offers Middlebury the combination of qualities that will be required for leadership in the 1990's." Dragone called Light an accomplished scholar and an experienced administrator, pointing to Light's record of achievement as an administrator at Kalamazoo, Ohio State and Arizona. To all of these assignments, Dragone said, "he has brought a refreshing candor . . . He asks the right questions, and understands that the work of the administration is to support the academic enterprise."

Light "understands our history, appreciates our strengths and recognizes what the

educated men and women of the 21st century will require," Dragone said. "We are an institution that prizes effective teaching: Tim Light is an outstanding teacher . . . We are an institution that attaches great importance to viewing the world through eyes other than our own: Tim Light will help us continue our position of leadership in the field of international education. We are an institution that is committed to being on the cutting edge in the sciences: Tim Light brings a distinguished record of support and understanding in the sciences to this campus. Finally, we are an institution that seeks to build and nurture a sense of community, among students, staff, faculty and alumni: Tim Light has been, and will be, an effective builder of bridges among us."

When Tim Light took the podium, to a standing ovation, the first word out of his mouth was: "Wow. Thank you so much ... Joy and I are just overwhelmed by the kindness, good cheer and welcoming warm atmosphere that we have felt at Middlebury College. Very truthfully, four days ago we didn't really think that we were going to be here; and it suddenly has happened, and we are just tremendously thrilled . . .

"This is one of the nation's premier colleges, and in my own field, linguistics and Chinese, it is *the* college. The thought of becoming your president is something that I am not going to get over for an awfully long time, and if I seem relatively or severely inarticulate today, that is at least part of the reason . . .

"I pledge myself to you to do my utmost to maintain those traditions of excellence . . . Joy joins me in this pledge. We pledge ourselves . . . to work with you to face, with great optimism and excitement, the future . . . a new decade, and, quickly, a new century. We will do everything in our power . . . to build upon the strengths which have been established here for 190 years."

After Light's remarks, Milt Peterson thanked Dragone and the other members of the search committees for their hard work, and said he felt it important to note that "Dr. Light was a unanimous choice of all the members of the committee."

Said Peterson: "This last week, Allan and I traveled to Tim and Joy's home in Michigan. And speaking for all of us, I said to them, 'Middlebury is a very vital, dynamic place. But it is still very fragile. But you have the qualities —intelligence, vision and most importantly integrity — that gives us the confidence to place the future of Middlebury in your hands.' " — *T.E.*

$20,300: The story behind the number

As students and their families already know, Middlebury's comprehensive fee for the 1990-91 academic year will be $20,300, an increase of $1,300 from the current year, or about 6.8 percent.

In topping the $20,000 mark, Middlebury has lots of company: That's about what most of the other top colleges and universities in New England will be charging next year (see chart). The College's trustees approved the comprehensive fee at their meeting on campus in March, deciding on the 6.8 percent increase, which is somewhat below the average of about 8 percent for other New England institutions.

Still, there's no doubt that $20,300 is the kind of number that leads to "sticker shock" among students, and particularly among parents. Not many folks have the ability to pay that kind of freight, at least not out of their annual incomes. The good news is that many families won't have to, because of Middlebury's commitment to "need-blind" admissions — meaning that the College will meet the demonstrated financial need of any admitted student. This year, about 35 percent of Middlebury's students receive some form of financial aid, with the average award running more than $11,000.

Only a few of the country's colleges and universities are able to offer need-blind admissions, because it's incredibly expensive. At Middlebury, for example, it appears that this year's financial aid bill will be more than $8 million, and the projection for next year is close to $10 million.

After going through a round of student protests last year when the comprehensive fee rose to $19,000, College administrators were understandably apprehensive about the reaction to this year's increase,

Bill Moyers will deliver Commencement address

"I come as a stranger to Middlebury, a friend of your incoming president and, in common with all of you, a pilgrim on a journey that makes strangers obsolete and friendship imperative."
— Bill Moyers 1975 address at President Robison's inauguration.

A stranger to Middlebury no more, veteran journalist Bill Moyers, a longtime friend of President Robison and now a Middlebury parent, will deliver the 1990 commencement address. This will be the final commencement for Olin Robison as president, as he steps down this summer.

Bill Moyers

During his 18 years in broadcasting, Moyers has concentrated on the social, political and foreign policy issues facing the United States. His awards have been many. The Academy of Television Arts and Sciences has recognized his work with 20 Emmy Awards for excellence. The Association for Continuing Higher Education presented Moyers with a Special Recognition Award "for his many contributions to the continuing education of the American public, especialy through the insights and integrity of his personal commitment to public education." He has received the Peabody Award for Political Reporting and International Coverage and the Kennedy Journalism Award for outstanding coverage of the poor. In fact, Moyers has won every major award possible for a broadcast journalist.

During his broadcast career, he has been executive editor of the highly-acclaimed series "Bill Moyer's Journal," senior news analyst for the "CBS Evening News," and chief correspondent for the acclaimed documentary series "CBS Reports." His public television series, "A Walk Through the Twentieth Century," was named the outstanding information series of 1987. Since his return to public television in the fall of 1986, his company, Public Affairs Television, Inc., has produced numerous award winning programs. He is also the author of *Listening to America* and, most recently, *Bill Moyer's World of Ideas.*

Born in Oklahoma, Moyers was raised in Texas and is a graduate of the University of Texas. He began his career as a cub reporter at age 15. He served as deputy director of the Peace Corps in the Kennedy Administration, and was special assistant to President Lyndon Johnson from 1963-1967. He left the White House to become publisher of *Newsday.* — *D.H.*

and made efforts to get the word out about why college in general costs so much, and why Middlebury's comprehensive fee, in particular, was going up again. David Ginevan, vice president for administration and treasurer, met with students in the week preceding the announcement of the increase, and gave several interviews to *The Campus* before and after the trustees' meeting. And President Robison continued his tradition of sending a letter to the College community discussing some of the reasons for the increase.

What Ginevan and President Robison had to say probably didn't come as a great surprise to anyone: College costs continue to rise, and rise more quickly than the most frequently cited measure of inflation, the Consumer Price Index. For example, last year, when the CPI showed an annual increase of about 4 percent, the Higher Education Price Index (or HEPI), a generally accepted measure of the growth of costs at colleges and universities, rose at a 6.2 percent rate. And not much change is expected in the two indices for the coming year. Why the difference between CPI and HEPI? They measure different things, and even the items that they have in common are weighted differently. For example, the largest expense for any college is salaries and benefits, which don't figure directly in the CPI.

As President Robison says, the comprehensive fee "is not a figure casually arrived at." Student fees are the largest slice of the revenue pie at Middlebury, representing about 65 percent of annual income. The other 35 percent comes primarily from gifts and grants and endowment income. It's worth noting, however, that the percentage of the College's income that comes from the comprehensive fee has been declining steadily over the last decade or more; back in 1976, student fees accounted for about 76 percent of income.

In setting the fee, the trustees look at budget requests for the coming year, along with estimates of what can reasonably be raised through gifts, grants and endowment income. When it comes to the endowment, the trustees operate within a self-imposed limit, spending no more than 5 percent of the market value (actually, an average of the value for the past 12 quarters) of each share, each year. A share in the endowment is now valued at about $420; last year, the trustees decided to use $17 per share, and this year that figure may rise to $18 or perhaps even $19. This, of course, assures that only income from the endowment is used, and only part of that; the rest is reinvested to continue building the endowment.

The trustees try to arrive at a comprehensive fee that takes into account the burden the fee imposes on students' families, and at the same time allows Middlebury to continue to do its job. "I've never told the trustees that we couldn't do the job for less money," President Robison says. "We could. But we are in a very competitive market. If a young person looks at Middlebury, and then looks over the mountain at Dartmouth, or at Williams, and sees that those schools have a range of services, academic or otherwise, that Middlebury doesn't offer, then we're in real trouble.

"Honorable and intelligent people differ on the issue of college charges. But to underprice what Middlebury has to offer doesn't do anybody any favors. We're keenly aware that costs are going up, and that paying for a Middlebury education represents a struggle for many. But for a family receiving financial aid, if we say, 'You can afford to pay $9,000,' it doesn't really matter what that comprehensive fee number is. For the more affluent, why shouldn't they pay something closer to the actual cost? You've got to remember that everyone receives a sizable subsidy."

Once the comprehensive fee has been set, administrators at the College have a pretty good idea of how much money will be available for the coming year. This year, the total of all budget requests exceeded income estimates by about $5.8 million. So administrators were told to rework their budgets, holding salary increases for next year to an aggregate 6 percent, and cutting non-salary expenses by 6 percent from last year's figures.

You're not alone if you wonder why the College has to tighten its belt after raising the comprehensive fee to more than $20,000, and just a few months after completing the most successful capital campaign in its history, with a total of more than $80 million. But the reasons are pretty simple: During the years of the Campaign for Middlebury, the College has grown dramatically, in number of employees, in programs, and in facilities. And all of that growth has been expensive. So there is not now a great pile of cash sitting in the treasurer's office; the $80 million from the campaign has already been spent over the past five years, or invested in the endowment. You can see that with an annual budget approaching $65 million, it doesn't take long to spend $80 million. This year, the cycle of rapid growth that accompanied the campaign is coming to an end; the word you hear on campus is consolidation, not expansion. So the College is looking even more carefully than usual at the way it spends each dollar.

As in the past, much of the increase in this year's comprehensive fee goes toward salaries and benefits for faculty and staff, to keep Middlebury competitive with other institutions. This year, in addition to the planned 6 percent increase in the salary pool, the College recently announced significant improvements in the benefit package, offering more comprehensive medical and dental coverage, and picking up a larger percentage of the cost of both. Also, the numbers of faculty and staff have increased dramatically in the past few years. In 1979, there were 143 faculty in the

Dar Martin of CC&P fame retires after 40 years

Getting your acceptance letter to Middlebury College — a vivid memory for many. Hard to believe in this computer age, but, back a couple decades ago, those letters were painstakingly typewritten on manual typewriters, with immaculate carbon copies, no erasures accepted. Career Counseling & Placement's Dar Martin remembers those letters — she typed them herself, and often from home.

Dar Martin

Martin retired in December after 40 years service to Middlebury College (though she came back to CC&P to help out temporarily, parttime, this winter). She's performed more than a few other jobs at the College over the last few years. She worked with Stanley Wright, in admissions and financial aid, and with Gordie Perine, in placement, alumni relations and annual giving. This took her all over the campus — during her Middlebury career she worked in Old Chapel, Emma Willard House, and the old Recitation Hall, which burned down in 1970. But by 1964 she found her final Middlebury home in Adirondack House and the placement office, now known as Career Counseling & Placement, where she's been associate director since 1985.

Over the 40 years, Martin has probably met more students and alumni than most of us can remember.

classroom; this year, the total is 173. And those numbers don't include faculty on leave, who receive a percentage of their usual salary and are, of course, still receiving their benefits. (In fact, in recent years Middlebury has made it possible for a larger and larger number of faculty to be on leave; this year, the figure is about 25.)

David Ginevan points out that colleges are unique in the way they look at their work forces. "We feel we're doing our job when we reduce the student/faculty ratio," he says, "when we have fewer students for each faculty member. In business, let's say you make a widget, and this year it takes one person to produce 13 widgets. If you're doing your job, next year that same person should produce 21 widgets, because now you've got computers, robotics, and what have you. But for us, our product is educated young men and women. And we don't benefit from technological advances in the same way that other businesses do. Our students are better served, and we're doing our job better, when there are more faculty members to educate them."

Costs at other New England colleges are also on the rise

Institution	1989-90	1990-91	% rise
Amherst	$17,980	$19,915	10.8
Bates	$18,430	$19,905	8.0
Bennington	$19,975	$21,550	7.9
Boston U.	$19,440	$20,910	7.6
Bowdoin	$18,980	$20,555	8.3
Brown	$19,380	$20,720	6.9
Dartmouth	$19,335	$20,496	6.0
Harvard	$19,395	$20,655	6.5
MIT	$19,335	$20,700	7.1
Middlebury	$19,000	$20,300	6.8
Mt. Holyoke	$18,400	$19,650	6.8
Smith	$18,440	$20,140	9.2
Trinity	$18,500	$20,300	9.7
Tufts	$19,457	$21,087	8.3
Wellesley	$18,795	$20,455	8.8
Wesleyan	$18,795	$20,610	8.8
Yale	$19,310	$20,820	7.8

An argument frequently heard during last year's comprehensive fee protests: Middlebury is becoming a school for only the rich, who can afford the price, and the poor, who receive generous financial aid packages, and many middle-class families are locked out. "Are many middle-class families in a bind?" President Robison says. "Sure they are. We've never said that sending a daughter or a son to Middlebury will be easy. There certainly is some pain involved, and some sacrifice, particularly if a family is trying to pay college bills out of annual income, if a family has not set aside money for college. But our financial aid budget is helping many middle-class families. The figures show that."

Another frequently voiced complaint: Middlebury is expensive because those who can pay are subsidizing those who can't. And, of course, it's true. About 12 percent of the annual budget is earmarked for financial aid, so about 12 cents of each dollar in income goes to support those who can't pay the full cost. The underlying principle, obviously, is that a more diverse student body — economically, and in every other way — creates a better educational experience for everyone. But if you find that view of the world offensive, try this: "If you take the financial aid budget of $8 million (for 1989-90) out of the total budget," says President Robison, "you still don't come close to the amount that's covered by student fees." So, if for some reason you find it painful to think about your comprehensive fee dollars supporting financial aid students, you don't have to.

Still, there's that huge number that will be staring up at parents for next year. Says Ginevan, "When someone asks me, 'Why does it cost $20,300 to go to Middlebury?' I tell them — and I know it sounds a bit facetious — but I tell them, well, we're lucky enough to have had generations of people supporting the College generously for many years, so we're able to offer a Middlebury education at this bargain rate. They say, 'Huh?' And so I tell them that our annual budget is about $65 million. Say that $8 million is for the language schools, and I think that's probably a generous amount. So you're left with $57 million. Divide that by 1,950 students. You get more than $29,000. So every student starts with a scholarship worth about 30 percent of the real cost of a Middlebury education."

Certainly, no one would argue with the contention that Middlebury could be cheaper to attend. The question is whether it would still be Middlebury as we know it, or Middlebury as we want it to be.

"If you look at it realistically," Ginevan says, "you can't say, 'Well, if we didn't serve Ben & Jerry's ice cream in the dining halls, we could somehow reduce the comprehensive fee to $18,500.' Yes, we could save some money by doing that, but not the kind of money that would make a real difference.

"To save serious money, you have to ask questions like, 'Do we really need a classics department?' 'Do we really need to play intercollegiate lacrosse?' 'Do we need to have a program in Taiwan?' 'Do we need to have specialists in all the academic disciplines on the faculty?' 'Does the library really have to have so many periodicals? Surely there are some that aren't often used?'

"And if you start answering no to any of those questions, and making those kinds of cuts, you may soon have a college that costs less to attend. But you'll certainly have a college that fewer people will want to attend." — *T.E.*

Pro-choice students join in mobilization

At Middlebury, one hears the word "apathetic" thrown around quite a bit. But every once in a while an activist wind blows over the campus. It happened last spring with the tuition protest. And it happened again this past fall with the pro-choice mobilization.

When Middlebury's Pro-Choice Coalition held a meeting for students interested in participating in the November 12 mobilization, more than a hundred people showed up. Only about 40 of those actually took part in demonstrations in Washington, D.C., and Montpelier, Vt.; but the turnout demonstrated that the abortion issue had stirred up the campus.

Lisa VanBuren '90 helped organize the Middlebury contingent for the mobilization. "This is an opportunity for our generation, which is often labelled apathetic, to stand up for something," she said. "We've always taken for granted the rights gained by other generations, but now we feel we're losing something and we're willing to fight for it."

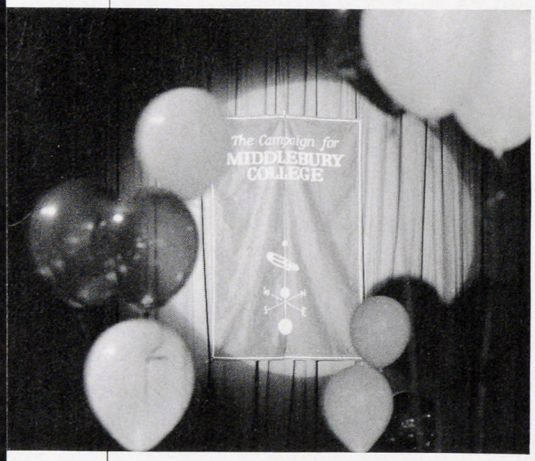
Middlebury's Pro-Choice Coalition was founded to provide information and organize rides for students participating in the Montpelier and Washington demonstrations. The Coalition included members of the Women's Union and other

The Campaign total tops $80 million

The Campaign for Middlebury, which reached its $60 million goal a year and a half ago, officially ended on December 31, 1989, with more than $80 million raised.

The final total — $80,113,030 — exceeded the original goal by more than 33 percent, and was about six times the total in the largest previous campaign.

Sixty-seven percent of the total — $53.7 million — came from individual donors: alumni, parents and other friends of the College. Of that, $29 million came from undergraduate alumni, more than 14,000 of them, who made gifts to the College during the five years of the campaign. The remaining $26.4 million came from foundations, corporations and federal grants.



About 45 percent of the total was designated for faculty support and academic programs; during the campaign, seven endowed professorships were established. Scholarship aid and student services received 25 percent, and new facilities about 18 percent. Unrestricted gifts accounted for the remaining 12 percent.

President Robison noted that "in the early stages of planning (for the campaign), there were many who felt that a $60 million goal was more than the College could handle. After all, the largest previous campaign had been less than a quarter of that amount. The trustees, however, recognizing the needs of the College in the areas of academic support, financial aid and student services, dared to be ambitious. And the Middlebury family rose to the occasion, as they always have."

David E. Thompson '49 headed up the campaign, and the honorary chairmen were Felix G. Rohaytn '49 and the late Paris Fletcher '24. Mr. Fletcher, who died in October, had long been one of Middlebury's most generous supporters. He had included the College in his will, and that bequest represented one of the major gifts received during the campaign.

The final total was also enhanced late last year when Robert Jones '59 donated $1.85 million to Middlebury to establish a chair in monetary economics. Jones, an economics major at Middlebury, established the chair in the name of Alan R. Holmes, formerly the manager of the Open Market Desk at the Federal Reserve. "To me, Alan Holmes symbolizes the fact that an education in economics represents a mere beginning for a person seeking to pursue an economics profession," Jones said. "Too often, the success of the Federal Reserve monetary policies is ascribed solely to the chairman of the Federal Reserve Board . . . I believe that far more credit should be given to other officials of the Federal Reserve, particularly those in staffing and research positions."

Jones was founder and chairman of the market analysis firm of MMS International, which he sold last year. Previously, he had helped underwrite the establishment of the Geonomics Institute at Middlebury.

Of Jones and all the others who contributed to the Campaign for Middlebury, President Robison said, "We're extremely appreciative of the commitment made by so many thousands of graduates, parents and friends. Their generosity will make a lasting mark on the academic opportunities offered to our students."

groups, according to VanBuren, who said the Coalition was formed separately of the Women's Union to give the pro-choice group a wider appeal. The Women's Union organized the first meeting about the mobilization, and Antonia DeVegh '91 and VanBuren took it from there.

"This is such an emotional and personal issue," said DeVegh. "It's about the freedom to live our lives the way we see fit, and I think the possibility of governmental intervention in that decision is really frightening and motivated a lot of people... Except for the tuition hike, I don't think I've ever seen the campus so affected by an issue."

When November 12 came around and many of those interested found themselves faced with midterms and thesis deadlines, the 140 that had expressed interest in the mobilization shrank to around 40. The Middlebury students who travelled to Montpelier gathered with 2,500 other Vermonters in front of the State House. Despite the frigid weather, the crowd stood outside listening to speakers voice their support for women's right to choose. Among those who spoke was Vermont Gov. Madeleine Kunin, reaffirming her long-standing commitment to the reproductive rights movement.

The students who made the 10-hour drive to Washington, D.C., found a much more spectacular scene when they arrived. About 150,000 people participated in the demonstration, which DeVegh described as a "mass of positive energy." DeVegh had previously attended a Republican National Convention and said, "There was no comparison between something like that and the energy generated by the struggle for civil rights."

The New Yorker printed a memorable word portrait of the rally, describing "the closely massed bodies in front of the gleaming white Lincoln Memorial and stretching as far as the eye could see, down both sides of the Reflecting Pool, to the grounds of the Washington Monument about a half mile away . . . That comes to about 10 city blocks and amounts to a considerable density of human beings." Among them were about 20 Middlebury students.

The interest students showed in the issue impressed DeVegh; however, she was disappointed in the College's official reaction. "I'd like to see the College help out more financially — for example, by providing a charter bus." The Coalition had originally planned to hire a bus to transport students to Washington. But because of the high cost, in comparison with the number of students interested, the project was cancelled. "If sports teams are funded," DeVegh said, "political expression and other interests should be funded as well."

Despite her satisfaction with student response to the mobilization, DeVegh hopes that no one will take abortion too lightly — as an issue, or as an act. "To support pro-choice was a difficult decision for me to make," she said, "in that I don't like to see abortion treated too casually, or

as birth control.

Like DeVegh, Lyn Patyk '90 also opposes the use of abortion as birth control and this has lead her to take an anti-abortion stance. For Patyk, abortion seems too "expedient," something she doesn't want to see used as "a solution after the fact. People need to use more responsibility and more thought about having sex."

Although Patyk is firm in her anti-abortion position, she doesn't feel that she's typical of the right-to-life movement. "I'm not pro-life," she said. "Pro-life seems somehow anti-sex, and I don't think sex is wrong." To reduce the number of abortions, Patyk said, "we have to change the way that society looks at sex and the stigma attached to pregnancy." She said she doesn't agree with the pro-life demonstrators who have been known to resort to extreme tactics to promote their cause. "I find their radical measures pathetic," Patyk said. "They give the entire movement a bad name."

In fact, feelings against pro-life demonstrators were running particularly high in Vermont this past fall. In Burlington, a group of anti-abortion demonstrators staged a protest at the Vermont Women's Health Center, harassing patients and workers until the police arrived and arrested the group. During the winter, several other protests took place at the Health Center and at the headquarters of Planned Parenthood of Vermont, also in Burlington. Dozens of protesters were arrested, most of them male, and most of them from out of state.

The anti-abortion sentiment expressed at Middlebury is decidedly less extreme than that of most pro-life activists. Although Patyk sees abortion as a problem in our society, she does not advocate its illegalization immediately. "There has to be a social net in place," she said, which would include improved sex education, better maternity benefits for employees, and a stronger adoption network. In an essay in the November 17, 1989, issue of *The Campus,* Patyk wrote that "if society would fulfill its obligations to women as procreators of the species, women would not perceive legislation to protect the unborn fetus as a threat to their personal sovereignty."

Many people in the Middlebury community, however, feel strongly that a woman's right to have an abortion must be preserved. Helen Davidson '88 volunteers for Planned Parenthood in Burlington and spends much of her free time fighting for the pro-choice cause. Davidson encouraged the creation of a permanent pro-choice organization on campus. "I could give you whatever you want — movies, petitions, bumper stickers . . . the things you need to get started," she said. "However, the initiative has to come from within the campus."

Interest in the issue seems to have died down since the Washington demonstration, which prompts VanBuren to stress the need for a continuing commitment on campus. Vermont may have a pro-choice governor, but VanBuren predicts that "it will be a battle" to keep legislators from further restricting the right to an abortion. In fact, the Legislature examined a proposal in January that would have required parental notification for those under 18 who were seeking abortions.

Davidson claimed that parental notification for minors seeking abortions would only make matters worse. "Some people argue this would encourage communication; in fact, it would be detrimental to the situation. It's just not the time or place to attempt forced communication." Davidson helped the Burlington Women's Council in lobbying against the proposal, which eventually died in the Vermont Senate's Health and Welfare Committee.

While Vermont seems to be a pro-choice state, lawmakers remain torn on the abortion issue. State Sen. Rita McCaffrey told the *Burlington Free Press* that "given our present knowledge and the great divide that exists on this question, we must have faith that this decision for now can be made within the confines of each home and within each conscience."

The parental notification bill is only one battle in a long series that began when the Supreme Court ruled last summer that the individual states could impose restrictions on abortion. Now, instead of fighting for one cause, the right to have an abortion, pro-choice advocates will have to fight innumerable smaller battles in the states. It has been said many times that the Supreme Court's new decision awoke a sleeping giant in the pro-choice movement. Whether this is true remains to be seen, in the 1990 elections, and in state legislatures across the country.

— Barbara Matusik '91

Work gets under way on new Student Center

The conversion of McCullough Gym into a new Student Center has finally received the go-ahead from the state of Vermont's Environmental Board, and work on the $4 million project was to get under way in April.

The approval followed months of hearings and negotiations, during which the College had to defend its plans to add two octagonal towers to McCullough. The state's Department of Historic Preservation had argued that the towers, designed by architect Malcolm Holzman (*see*

10 students hurt in van accident

On March 23, 10 Middlebury students were injured when the van in which they were riding rolled over and was struck by a tractor trailer on a snow-covered I-70, 25 miles east of Kansas City.

The students, members of the Mountain Club, were on their way to Utah's Escalante Canyon for a spring break hiking trip when the accident occurred. They were driving in a Middlebury Ski Team van, through an early spring snowstorm. The van swerved to avoid another car, rolled over three times, slid across the median and into the path of the tractor trailer, which hit the bottom of the van. Both the van and the truck were demolished; the driver of the truck also sustained serious injuries.

A tow truck driver happened to be passing by at the time of the accident, radioed for help, and rescue personnel were on the scene within minutes. But it took nearly an hour to get all of the students out of the crushed van.

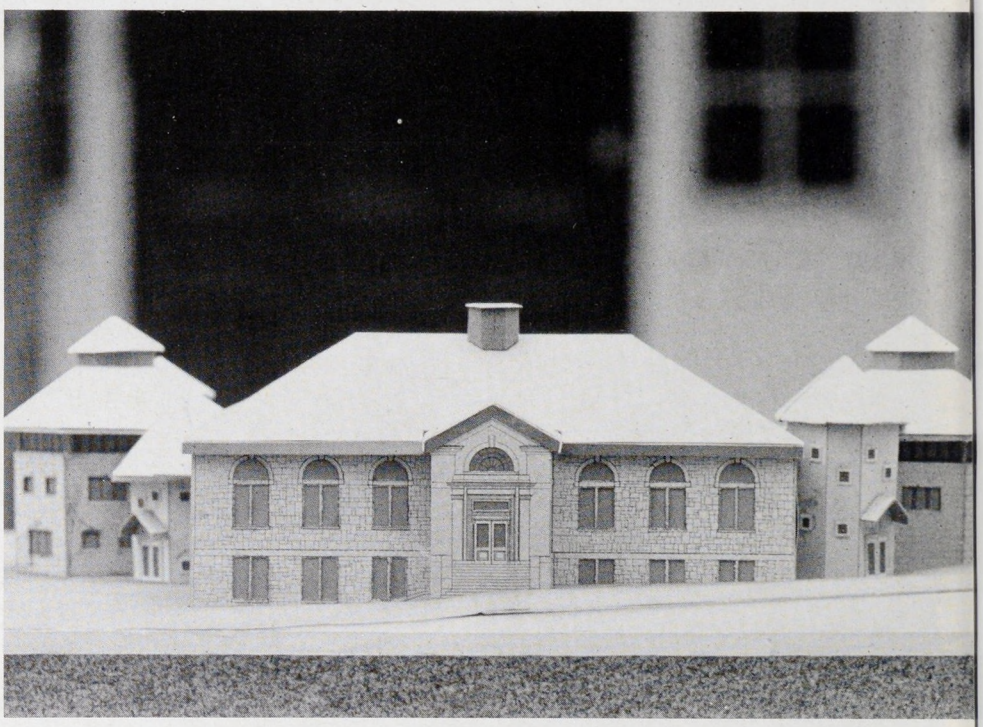
According to Dean of Students Karl Lindholm '67, all of the students are expected to recover fully, though the two students who were injured the most seriously — Natalya Baldyga '90 and Janet Kidd '93 — were expected to remain at St. Mary's Hospital in Blue Springs, Mo., for some time, recovering from their injuries. The other students injured were David Liebman '91, Eric Martin '92, Heather Widlund '92, Stephen Prescott '93, Rebecca Chollet '93, Meggan Dwyer '93, Rebecca Graves '93 and Victoria Custodio '93.

Both Lindholm and Chaplain John Walsh flew to Missouri the day after the accident, and both had nothing but praise for the rescue teams and hospital workers who helped the students. Lindholm also said that Middlebury alumni in the area had been of immeasurable help, opening their homes to those students who had been released from area hospitals, and to the parents who flew in, from as far away as India, immediately after the accident.

"Building in a landscape," Autumn '89), would detract from the appearance and historic value of the building. The College's position was that the towers would actually make the building look better, and that any historic significance the building may have had was compromised some years ago with the addition of the Brown Pool.

"We're very pleased that the Act 250 process has been completed on this project," said President Robison, "and that we'll be able to proceed with the construction of this badly needed new facility on campus."

The new Student Center is scheduled to be completed in time for the start of classes in the fall of 1991. The building will include a large space for dances and other social activities, a snack bar, a student lounge, the chaplain's office, and offices for student organizations.



A model of the new Student Center.

Norman named director of academic support

John Norman, who joined the Middlebury College staff in January in the new position of director of academic support, knew something about Middlebury before he arrived on campus. When he was introduced at a faculty meeting this winter, he said he'd visited Middlebury several times, when he was an undergraduate at Connecticut's Trinity College. "I was here every winter for four years, as part of the basketball team," he said. "And we won all four games."

Karl Lindholm '67, dean of students, who was on the teams that Norman played, was also in the audience at the faculty meeting. "I resent that remark," he said. "Or maybe I should say, I resemble that remark."

Norman's new job at Middlebury is no game, of course. The College is asking him to coordinate its academic support programs, including the pre-enrollment program, tutoring programs in writing and quantitative skills, and peer tutoring. He'll also be responsible for informing students, faculty and staff about support programs, identifying students with special academic needs, and serving as the academic advisor of many of those students. In addition, he'll supervise the establishment of a new academic support center in recently renovated Gifford Hall.

Norman holds a B.A. from Trinity College, and an M.A. and a Ph.D. from the University of Connecticut. He's been in teaching and educational administration for about 20 years, and comes to Middlebury from the post of research professor and special assistant to the dean at the University of Miami. He has previously served as vice president for student affairs at Florida Memorial College, and as dean and director of the African-American Institute at Northeastern University.

During his undergraduate years at Trinity, Norman was the only non-white in his class, so he understands the need for support programs that help minorities. But he stresses that the academic support programs offered by the College are for everyone. "Any student could be in need of our help," he said. "This department doesn't deal with the socio-cultural problems. We don't have anyone to do that. Our job is to marshal the academic resources to produce a high percentage of graduates from Middlebury."

Ann Hanson, dean of the College, said that "it's difficult to assess the learning problems that students may have upon arriving at Middlebury. Some of those problems are academic; some relate to adjusting to the social and residential life. Any student accepted at Middlebury is assumed to have the ability to complete the curricular requirements. Some, however, find difficulties along the way which require special attention.

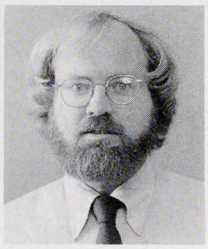
"We're extremely impressed with the credentials and commitment that Dr. Norman brings to this job, and we hope that through his coordination, the many efforts which are being made separately on campus by faculty, students and staff can be brought to bear collectively on the academic needs of our students."

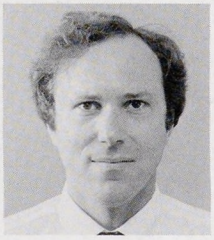
John Norman, director of academic support.

Three faculty members promoted with tenure

Three faculty members — James Larrabee, E. Burke Rochford and O. Larry Yarbrough — were promoted to the rank of associate professor with tenure in December.

James Larrabee (chemistry) joined the department of chemistry and biochemistry in 1986, following eight years as a research scientist at Exxon Research and Engineering Company in New Jersey. He is a member of the American Chemical Society and Phi Beta Kappa, and has received research grants at Middlebury from the Research Corporation, Vermont EPSCoR, the National Science Foundation, and the National Institutes of Health. Larrabee holds a bachelor's degree from Trinity College in Connecticut and M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in chemistry from Princeton University.





Clockwise from upper left: Larry Yarbrough, Burke Rochford and James Larrabee.

E. Burke Rochford joined the sociology department in 1986, following teaching assignments at the University of Tulsa, the University of Virginia and the University of Richmond. The author of *Hare Krishna in America*, Rochford has also written numerous articles on the Krishna Consciousness movement. He has also done research and writing relating to the social, psychological and political consequences of natural disasters.

O. Larry Yarbrough joined the religion department in 1983, following teaching assignments at the College of William and Mary. Yarbrough, a New Testament scholar and a member of the Society of Biblical Literature, holds a bachelor's degree from Birmingham-Southern College and bachelor's and master's degrees from Cambridge University. He also holds advanced degrees in divinity and Christian origin from Emory University and Yale University, respectively. He is the author of *Not Like the Gentiles: Marriage Rules in the Letters of Paul.*

Early this year, the Assyrian relief that has graced the main entrance to Munroe Hall for nearly 50 years was removed and sent to Harvard's Center for Conservation and Technical Studies. There, the relief, which dates from the ninth century B.C., will be cleaned and outfitted with a new mounting system. Also called the Ninevah Slab, the relief was once part of the palace of King Assurnasirpal II of Assyria, and was a gift to the College from Wilson Farnsworth of the Class of 1848. Farnsworth discovered the relief in his travels in the Middle East and brought it back to Middlebury. Over the past few years, the Middlebury Friends of Art raised money for the restoration of the relief, a project also helped along by grants from the Getty Grant Program and American Greetings Corporation. Once the restoration is complete, and once Middlebury's new Arts Center is finished, the relief will return to Middlebury, to be installed in the gallery at the center.

Winter sports

MEN'S HOCKEY / 21-5-1

The men's hockey team set a record for wins in a season, and came within one game of the ECAC East championship. With only two seniors on the team, the Panthers appear ready to be a force in Division II hockey for some time to come.

After defeating Salem State in the first round of the playoffs, second-seeded Middlebury hosted the first ECAC East "Final Four" tournament March 2 and 3, downing Bowdoin 5-2 in the semifinals before losing 8-6 to American International College in the title game.

The success of the team this year was such that even head coach Bill Beaney was surprised. "I knew we had talent," he said, "but I didn't think we could come together as well and as quickly as we did. The players simply made a far greater commitment to be successful than I had expected."

Beaney felt the team came together near mid-season when it won the Salem State Tournament, beating Holy Cross and the University of Connecticut. Beaney said the team even played well the next weekend in suffering its first losses of the season, on consecutive nights, to Babson and UMass-Boston. "There wasn't a game we played that we couldn't have won," Beaney said.

Kent Hughes, at far right, scores against AIC in the ECAC championship game, won by AIC, 8-6.

Middlebury followed up those two losses with a string of great games, including the first sweep in years of Bowdoin and Colby on the Maine trip and a string of 10 wins and a tie (with Norwich) in 11 starts. The Panthers then dropped their next two to AIC and a strong Union squad, before

A year to remember for women's basketball

It was a record making year for women's basketball. Here are a few stats:

The team had 18 wins — the most ever for the women's team.

And 14 of the victories were consecutive, also a record.

The team ranked in the top four nationally for three-point field goals.

Sophomore Caroline Leary was in the top five ranking in rebounds.

Senior co-captain Kathy Dubzinski ended her career with over 1,000 points, the first woman in Panther history to do so.

Fellow co-captain Meredith Binder ended her career as the second-leading rebounder.

And freshman Sladja Kovijanic was named Most Valuable Player at the Subway Classic Women's Basketball Tournament at Connecticut College.

It didn't take basketball smarts for the average fan to catch on to the team's determination and confidence the minute the women hit the court. "We adjusted to just about every situation, be it deficit, a close lead, or a sound lead, in order to win," said the team's coach of three years, Amy Backus. "We had the talent to enable us to do that."

The team did win quite a few games by a wide margin: Middlebury 101, Norwich 54; Middlebury 81, Hamilton 59, to name a couple. But some other games required a super adrenalin surge from the team in the very last seconds.

The game against Bates, for example. With three minutes left, Bates led 88-79. It appeared that the Panthers might lose the game. But Middlebury kept the ball away from Bates, and fed it to Kovijanic, who had six three-pointers in the game, including one in the last nine seconds, to win the game, 89-88.

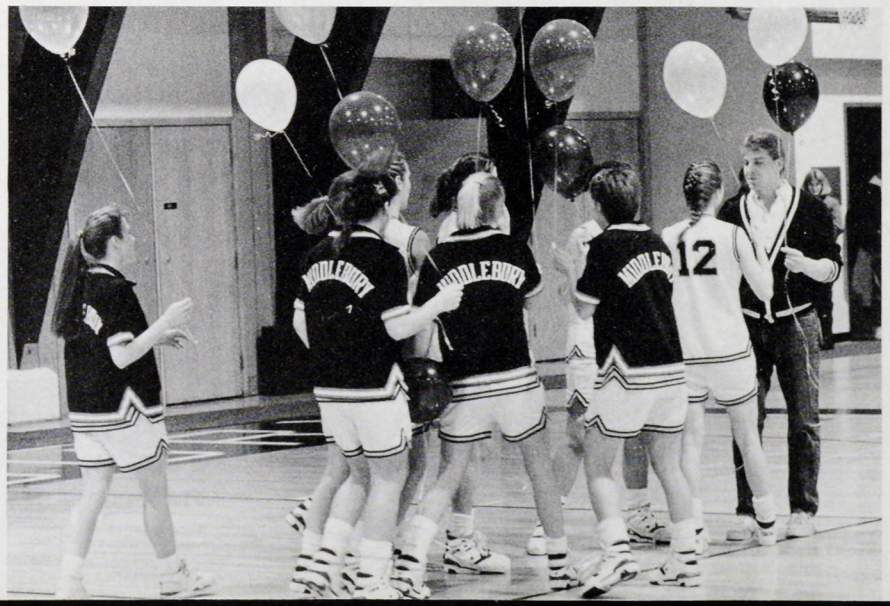
Kathy Dubzinski, 12, and teammates celebrate Dubzinski's 1,000th point.

The women did drop the opening game in the ECAC tournament to top-seeded and defending champion Clark University. This was Middlebury's first appearance in the tourney, and Clark's 34th straight. "We played a great first half," said Backus, "but their defensive pressure took us out of our offensive game."

Even so, Backus said, "This has been a great season. And this has been a great team — the best I have ever seen."

Next year could be even better, when the majority of the team returns. It will be an even more experienced and confident crew.

— Debby Hodge



closing out regular season play with a 7-3 decision over St. Anselm. Beaney thought his squad played well in the tournament, except for the first period of the Bowdoin game. "We stuck to our game plan throughout," he said, "and generally got pretty good goaltending and scoring."

For Beaney, the difference in the title game with AIC was the Panthers' unforced errors, leading to loss of the puck. "They also were a little bigger and stronger than we were," he said, "and older." AIC built a commanding 6-2 lead early in the second period, but a goal by freshman Tim Craig cut the gap to three points going into the final period. Craig continued to be hot in third period, with a power play goal and a shorthanded goal, his fourth of the game, that pulled Middlebury within one, 7-6, with less than a minute to play. However, with just a few seconds left in the game, AIC's Ken Maffia broke in alone on Panther goalie Brent Truchon and beat him to the corner for the clincher.

Beaney was pleased with the team's great record, and with the way the players matured and improved their skills throughout the season. "There also was a great positive interaction of the players all year," he said.

Marc Alcindor finished the campaign with the highest point total of any Panther since the glory days of Middlebury hockey nearly 30 years ago. He accounted for 59 points on 21 goals and 38 assists. Kent Hughes was close behind with 56 (18 and 28) and the third member of that first line, Craig, had 45, but lead the team in goals with 23. Doug Cochran also finished well up in the standings with 43 points (17 and 26). Brent Truchon had another good year in goal, with a 16-5-1 record, a 3.56 goals allowed average and an 86.3 save percentage.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY / 12-4-1

The women's hockey team finished the year with a solid 12-4-1, including a 6-0 shutout of the UVM Catamounts during the season's last weekend. Against UVM, senior tri-captain Debbie Gow had two goals and an assist, senior forward Justine Blodgett had two goals, and senior goalie Anne Truslow had 15 saves for her shutout.

"It's always nice to end on a winning note," said head coach Bill Mandigo of the last game, which gave the team a record for most wins in a season. "I thought we'd be .500 this year, but they really worked hard. You also have to take into consideration that two of our losses were to very

Captains John Humphreys and Jim Quinn with ECAC second place trophy.

tough Division I schools. I think this a great way for the seniors to go out and it gives next year's team even more incentive to do better."

The team's three captains emerged as the leading scorers for the season and were selected to play in the American Women's Hockey Coaches Association Senior All-Star Game, played at Harvard in March. Gow had 31 points on the season and received the Founders Trophy, given to the player who has done most for the team, on and off the ice. Amanda Unger added 22 points on the season and was the team's MVP, and Cynthia White had 25 points. "We couldn't have had three better captains this year," Mandigo said. "They were leaders both on and off the ice."

Truslow had a great year in goal, with a save percentage of 89 and a 2.35 goals allowed average. "Justine Blodgett and Liz Strachan will be tough to replace as well," said Mandigo.

But Mandigo is encouraged by those who will be returning, including sophomore Elizabeth Bell, voted the team's Most Improved Player this season, along with Heather Morris, Kendall Garey, Margie Sheehan and Margaret Heald. "I am hoping that these players will take over where the seniors left off," the coach said. "I'll miss this year's seniors next season, but I feel confident with the talent that I have returning."

Among the highlights of the season were a first-ever victory over Yale. "I thought that was the most special win," Mandigo said. "The tie with Bowdoin was also memorable because we came back for the tie after being down by two goals. It was great to see the team put things together for that comeback."

SKIING / Seventh at NCAA's

Middlebury wound up its ski season by finishing seventh in the 1990 NCAA Skiing Championships at Stowe, Vt., with three skiers taking All-American honors.

The Panther men's and women's teams combined for 409 points in the NCAA's, just 15 points behind sixth-place New Mexico, but well back of national champion Vermont, which won its second straight title with a total of 671. The three Middlebury All-Americans were alpine skiers Heather Flood and Devin O'Neill, and nordic racer Jen Douglas.

Middlebury's teams had finished third behind Vermont and Dartmouth for most of the Eastern carnival season, and both were third again in the Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Association Championships, held at the Snow Bowl and the Rikert Ski Touring Center. In the Easterns, the Panthers had some good individual performances, and actually won the women's GS, finishing one point ahead of both Dartmouth and UVM. Middlebury's women had lost the slalom to UVM the previous day by only one and half points.

Middlebury's nordic teams had a tougher time of it at the Easterns, with most of the top skiers on the men's team lost to illness. But Jen Douglas, a junior, continued to ski well, taking third in the 15km individual race. Douglas teamed with sophomore Jen Naylor and senior Devon Daney to take a third in the relay.

Middlebury skiers named to the EISA all-stars were Hilary Rose, alpine first team; Erica Nourjian, Heather Flood and Andrea Sanford, alpine second team; Devin O'Neill, alpine second team; Jen Douglas, nordic first team; and John Cooley and Chris Clark, nordic second team.

MEN'S BASKETBALL / 10-13

The Panthers had a run of bad luck in midseason, but took four of their last five games to finish the season at 10-13.

Head coach Russ Reilly said the loss of some leading players for parts of the season, and the inability to shoot well in pressure situations, were factors in the

team's somewhat disappointing record. He also pointed out that two-point losses to Babson, Tufts and Williams made the difference between a losing season and a winning one.

"Winning four of our last five was a positive thing for us because we showed we had finally come together as a team," Reilly said. "We have a number of things like that to build on for next year.

The only loss in the last five games was to a talented Williams team, 77-75 in double overtime. The Panthers came back from that loss to bury New England College 85-49 in the season finale.

The first starter to be lost to injury was center Reid Smith, which cost the team not only Reid's 6-9 size, but also his game experience, and the team dropped its next four in a row. Smith then returned to limited duty, but the time he'd missed showed in his performance. During the next nine games, the Panthers won only three games, two from Norwich and one from Connecticut College. Four straight losses at the end of that string were partially attributed to the loss of starting guard Jeff Smith, who suffered a stress fracture in his foot during the Union game. Shortly after that, junior guard David Findlay left to study in Greece in the spring semester.

But the Panthers regrouped and surprised everyone, even themselves, by rolling over a good Clark team, 100-77, and finishing with four wins in five games.

During that successful stretch run, sophomore Mike Baumann was a standout. The 6-5 forward earned a place on the ECAC Division III North honor roll two weeks in a row, giving him three selections for the year. Baumann, who could reach 1,000 career points next season in his junior year, finished with 429 points, an 18.7 average. Rob Blanchard, who has been an important addition to the team both in scoring and rebounding, finished with 14.4 points per game. Jeff Smith was the third player in double figures with 11.3 per contest. Blanchard emerged as the leading rebounder with 189, but Baumann was a close second with 182. Captain Mike Gill, whose leadership will be missed next year, ended his senior year as the assist leader with 67 and was the top three-point shooter with a 46.7 percent mark.

One player who didn't appear as a statistical leader, but emerged as a leader on the court, is junior Hector Hill. The playmaking guard came on in the stretch and did a solid job of directing the team. "Hector was the most improved player on the team," Reilly said. "He came a long way and by the end of the season, when he took over as point guard, he was as good as any around."

WOMEN'S SQUASH / 8-4

The Middlebury women's squash team wrapped up its season with an 8-4 record, and sent two players to the NCAA tournament at Brown.

"I'm very pleased with the performance of the team this year," said coach Dave Saward. "The only major downfall of the team was the weather! It seemed like every time we left for a match it snowed, and we lost four matches because of it." Saward said the highlight of the season was beating Williams twice, "something we've never done before."

Senior captain Vicki Hoyt had another fine season. "Vicki played well all season at the number one seed, despite a few disappointing losses," Saward said. Hoyt qualified for the nationals at Brown, where she was eliminated in the quarterfinal round. "The best match I've ever seen her play was against Princeton," said Saward. "She really played her opponent tough."

Freshman Kelly Rivers had a great rookie season and qualified for the nationals. She was eliminated in the second round of consolation play. "Kelly is going to be a great player in the upcoming seasons," Saward said. "She has the talent and confidence to be one of the best players I've seen here." Another freshman with a promising future, Saward said, is Sara Ellwood. He feels that sophomore Cammie Barrett was the team's most improved player. "Cammie's game improved greatly as the season progressed," Saward said, "and she was able to play at a higher team seed than I had anticipated." Saward also feels that senior Jane Goldstein "had a great year."

"We'll see a lot of new faces on the team next season as six of the nine players are graduating," the coach said. "I really enjoyed the season with this team. I think a few losses in the regular season and a disappointing 11th place at the Howe Cup Tournament at Yale hampered our confidence and performance. Our younger players have to learn not to take a loss so hard. But I'm optimistic about next year."

SWIMMING
Women's, 8-5; Men's, 7-6

The men's and women's swim teams recently concluded record-breaking seasons, and their head coach was chosen New England Division III Coach of the Year.

Directing the teams to one of their best years ever, coach Mary Ellen Claffey, in her fourth season at Middlebury, was selected Coach of the Year by a vote of other coaches from the region at the women's New England meet at Bowdoin. Both of her teams had good years, with the women compiling an 8-5 mark, and the men finishing at 7-6, their first-ever winning season. The women turned in their best showing ever at a New England meet, finishing eighth out of 25 teams at Bowdoin. The men also did well at the New England's, held at Williams, taking 13th. The two teams established a total of 18 new Middlebury school records at those meets.

Ginny Allen became the first Middlebury swimmer to qualify for the NCAA Division III meet, held at Williams College. A sophomore, she qualified in the 100 and 200 breaststroke and the 200 IM. At the nationals, she finished 19th in the 200 breaststroke, setting a new school record. Another solid performer at the New Englands was Kathy McGillicudy who set a new 100 IM mark and swam the anchor leg on three record-setting relay teams, the 200 and 400 freestyle and 400 medley.

Others establishing school records at the New Englands were Bryn Neubert, 100 and 200 free and a share of the 200, 400 and 800 free relay marks; Kate Albin, 500 free and 200 and 400 IM; Ginny Allen, 200 breaststroke; Mary Stechshulte, Piper Lounsbury, Bryn Neubert and Kathy McGillicudy, 200 free relay; Corky Mather, Kate Albin, Bryn Neubert and Kathy McGillicuddy, 400 free relay; Stephanie Gottleib, Mather, Stechshulte and McGillicuddy, 400 medley relay; and Albin, Mather, Stechshulte and Neubert, 800 free relay. Earlier in the season, Mather set the 200 back record.

In men's New England competition, C.J. Sprigman was the leading swimmer for Middlebury. This season, he set four new pool records, and at the New Englands he broke his two school marks in the 100 and 200 breaststroke. He finished fifth in the 100 breaststroke at the New Englands. Other school records were set by Dane Sobek, in the 200 IM and 100 butterfly; Brian Duke, 200 backstroke; and John Erickson, Todd Dubner, Duke and Sprigman in the 200 and 400 medley relays.

Season highlights included wins over Albany State and Norwich, both teams that had beaten the Panthers last year. What made both teams special, according to Claffey, was their enthusiasm and teamwork. "Talent is necessary," she said, "but it doesn't mean much if the team can't work together."

— Max Petersen

Frats under fire

The new reality for 'houses': Admit women, or fold

By Dwight Garner '88

What's the truth about Middlebury's fraternities? Are they simply about "being with friends, performing community service work and extending a long Middlebury tradition," as former Kappa Delta Rho president George Beckwith '90 contends? Or could it be that their members are more or less sexist, anti-intellectual and "too preoccupied with getting drunk, throwing up, getting drunk again, throwing up again and playing football," as assistant professor of history Paul Monod suggests?

The debate over Middlebury's fraternities and their influence on the College's social atmosphere has been going on for decades (and in rhetoric quite similar to that printed above). But never has this debate been hotter than in the past few years, as fraternities have had to deal with a sudden surge in popularity, brought on largely by Vermont's decision to raise its legal drinking age from 18 to 21.

The 1980's have not been especially happy times for Middlebury's fraternities. Alpha Sigma Psi (better known as "Slug") was disbanded after allegations of widespread cocaine use; Delta Upsilon made national headlines after a sexist incident involving a female mannequin. Faculty members have repeatedly called for the abolishment of fraternities, calling them anachronistic — or worse.

But as the '80s turn the corner into the '90s, a new era appears to be dawning for the College's six fraternities. It's an era that is going to see some social pressure taken off them, when Middlebury's long-awaited Student Center opens. It's an era in which they'll be officially known as *houses* (a gender-neutral term), not *fraternities*. Most notably, though, it will be an era in which women — after nearly 110 years of co-education at Middlebury — will begin to become fully integrated into the fraternity system.

Some call it the end of fraternities. Others call it a great opportunity for social change. But almost everyone agrees with Delta Kappa Epsilon president Morris Tooker '91: "Things are never, ever going to be quite the same again." And depending on how you feel about fraternities, that's either good news or bad.

Theoretically, of course, women have had the right to join Middlebury's fraternities for a long time. (Middlebury's last sorority closed in the 1960's). It's just that few, if any, have chosen to do so, and it's not difficult to see why. "Would you want to join an organization that has told you for decades that you're not at all wanted?" asks Wendy Bagwell '90. "It doesn't seem all that appealing."

Dean of the College Ann Hanson: 'There's no reason why Middlebury and other colleges can't pressure these national organizations into catching up with what's happening in the world.'

But under a decision announced by Middlebury's trustees this past February, women are to become full members of the organizations. "It may take three or four years — a college generation — to eliminate the male 'fraternity aura,' " says trustee Kathy Fallon '57. "In a few years I expect women will want to join as much as men will."

The trustees arrived at their decision to render the fraternities co-educational after receiving the recommendations of the Task Force on Student Social Life, a group comprised of students, trustees, faculty and administrators who studied the fraternity issue. "In order to understand the trustee's decision, you really have to read the task force report," Fallon says. "It's a remarkable document."

Indeed it is. Opinions about Middlebury's fraternities may differ, but few at the College seem to disagree with the thrust of the task force's report, which concludes that Middlebury's fraternities today "bear little resemblance to those which are sketched in the memories of alumni." In fact, alumni from classes as recent as four or five years ago might have trouble recognizing Middlebury Greeks.

Here's why. When Vermont raised its drinking age from 18 to 21 four years ago, Middlebury students found themselves suddenly cut off from the downtown bars. (Many of those bars — remember the Alibi, The Rosebud? — have closed.) With little choice but to remain on campus, students flocked to Middlebury's six fraternities. In 1985-86, the last year before the drinking age increase, there were 20 registered fraternity parties on campus, according to the task force report. Last year there were — and this is no typo — about 240. "The 21 drinking age has caused us nothing but problems," admits Dean of the College Ann Hanson. "Before, students could go the downtown bars — which were close enough that no one had to drive — and then come back. Now students are forced to stay on campus, and they perceive fraternities as a haven for their drinking."

The report is full of other, no less troubling, information. Students appear to be drinking *more*, not less, in response to the new law. Dorm damage has increased, the report says, as has "abusive and violent behavior." On average, the report notes, "five hospital runs are made each weekend night in response to alcohol-related injuries . . . Numbers of this magnitude were unheard of a few years ago and reflect only those who call for help."

The task force report did more, however, than describe an unhealthy situation. It recommended 23 specific actions to improve Middlebury's social atmosphere. Among them:

- Improving student-faculty relations through increased interaction at mealtimes, and through a program of faculty affiliation with residence halls.
- Stronger College support for clubs or

organizations which enhance the "intellectual quality" of life on campus.

• Increased emphasis on peer support organizations for students with substance abuse problems and victims of sexual assault.

• Dining opportunities in smaller settings. ("The ambiance in Proctor," the report notes, "is poor.")

Most of these suggestions got lost, however, in the shadow of the task force's fourth recommendation, which read: "Fraternities should be abolished by May 30, 1990."

This threw many fraternity members into a tizzy. "We got the sense that the report was pushing things too far too fast," said Richard Cochran '91, president of Chi Psi. "We felt this recommendation wasn't fair."

Most members of the task force — although there were dissenters — saw it differently. "Fraternities at Middlebury may have served a useful social function here at one point," says physics professor Richard Wolfson. "But that point is long past."

The report basically broke its recommendation to abolish the fraternities into two arguments, that "their structure permits unacceptable behavior" and that "they promote sexist attitudes (i.e. bias against women)." Here's what the report had to say about these assertions: "While fraternity members are not responsible for all of the infractions that occur at fraternity houses, the fraternity atmosphere often leads to situations in which a combination of bad judgment, peer pressure and alcohol abuse result in incidents of harassment, and other forms of misconduct . . ."

"The other argument involves a social philosophy of equal rights, and it concerns the systematic exclusion of women from fraternities. Fraternities are rooted in a 19th century tradition of male dominance . . . women are not eligible to participate at the national level, and they are not eligible for any of the indirect benefits of membership, including job networks, leadership opportunities and, more immediately, access to prime social spaces on campus."

One incident seems to illustrate both problems. In the spring of 1988 members of Middlebury's Delta Upsilon fraternity hung a mutilated female mannequin from the fraternity's balcony during a weekend of parties. The mannequin was blotched with blood-like paint, and a slur against women was written across its back. The College responded by placing the fraternity on probation for a year, but the long-range effects were even greater. If fraternities at Middlebury were already in trouble, this event was probably a catalyst for even quicker change.

The trustees agreed with the task force's two arguments, and with the recommendations included in the report. Except one, that is. "We felt that fraternities should not be abolished," Fallon says. "We felt that change should come gradually, and we felt that fraternities could be changed for the better at Middlebury if only women could become full, not just token, members."

Olin Robison, Middlebury's president, called the trustee's compromise decision — to change, not abolish, the fraternities — an "imaginative, creative, thoughtful and workable approach" to the College's fraternity dilemma. Most parties on campus seem to agree. But Middlebury's students — particularly fraternity members — are still uncertain about what the change will really mean.

"We're in a very difficult situation," says Peter Benedict '91, president of DU. "Most of us are all for admitting women, but we'll most likely lose our standing with our national organizations. And that hurts." At least two fraternities — DKE and Chi Psi — say they plan to petition their nationals to persuade them to allow women on a national basis, but they admit that that's unlikely. In the south and the midwest — fraternity strongholds — there's just no clamor to admit women. ("Of the 59 fraternities in the National Interfraternity Conference, only about a half dozen allow women members," says Michael Illuzi, national director of Chi Psi.)

Benedict and others who want to hang on to the fraternities point out that Middlebury's chapters have more tradition behind them than do the chapters at many similar colleges. Middlebury's Chi Psi chapter, founded in 1843, is the longest continuously running chapter of any fraternity in America. Middlebury's KDR fraternity, founded in 1905, is that fraternity's national founding chapter. "We've been here so long, I just can't see us closing," says Chi Psi's Cochran. "We'd do almost anything to be allowed to survive."

If Middlebury's fraternities are some of the oldest in the country, they've also occasionally been among the most socially progressive. In the mid-40's, Middlebury's Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity pledged several Jewish students in defiance on its national organization's by-laws, according to college historian David Stameshkin. The pledge ritual included this chilling stipulation: "Our requirements rigidly exclude members of the Negroid and Hebrew races. In this regard do you qualify for membership?"

(June Brogger '46, a former member of the now-defunct Phi Mu sorority, neatly summed up the irony of such exclusionary measures when she wrote about her sorority's attempts, also in the mid-40's, to get their national to allow a Jewish woman. "We find ourselves in an Alice-in-Wonderland situation," she wrote, "on the one hand fighting a madman who advances a theory of the superiority of a master Aryan race and on the other being party to schoolgirl bigotry.")

Sig Ep, KDR will comply

As of the March 31 deadline set by the trustees, only two of the College's six fraternities had indicated to the Community Council their willingness to comply with the trustees' mandate by breaking ties with their nationals and admitting women as full-fledged members.

Sig Ep, the local chapter of the national Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, staged a "Fry the Phi" party to dramatize the break with its national. The fraternity also said that it has a pledge class of 16 women and three men this spring.

Kappa Delta Rho already has two women members, and plans to admit more; for that reason, the KDR national is in the process of revoking the charter of the Middlebury KDR chapter.

The other four fraternities — Zeta Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Chi Psi and Delta Upsilon — all sent letters to the Community Council that stopped short of saying whether or not they would comply. DKE, DU and Chi Psi said they would be petitioning their national fraternities for the right to admit women, but would not have answers until this summer at the earliest. Zeta Psi's letter — which Council members called "ambiguous" — said the fraternity would not be able to comply with the mandate, and would "cease to exist at 98 South Street," but suggested a continuing role for Zeta Psi members at their South Street location.

Middlebury's ASP chapter soon left its national organization, taking the name Alpha Sigma Psi, becoming "apparently to first local chapter in the nation to break with its national over racial and religious discrimination," Stameshkin writes in his upcoming second volume of Middlebury's history. Middlebury's ASP chapter was written up in *The New York Times*, and was dubbed "Sluggers for Democracy." The nickname was later shortened to "Slug," which stuck until the frat was disbanded in the mid '80s.

Later, in 1958-59, Sigma Phi Epsilon was placed on national probation after

pledging a black student, Ron Brown '62. (Now a College trustee, Brown served as Jesse Jackson's campaign manager in 1988, and is the current chairman of the Democratic National Committee.) Soon afterward, the national dropped its "white, Christian" restrictive clause.

Many see a correlation between what happened with minority groups then and what's happening with women now. "There's no reason why Middlebury and other colleges can't pressure these national organizations into catching up with what's happening in the world," says Dean Hanson. "To achieve social change, you've got to apply pressure."

Frank Kelley, Middlebury's director of residential life, adds: "I always ask the people from the national organizations, 'When are you going to get in step with the fact that society will no longer put up with male domination?' And I ask them why they're not helping these young men."

"What I get in response," Kelley says, "is the party line: That these are organizations for men. It's sad."

In announcing their decision, the trustees gave the fraternities until March 31 of this year to indicate whether or not they would comply. If they do not, their houses will be put up for general room draw next year. "Almost all of us," DU's Benedict says, "are going to comply." *(See box.)*

There are indications, however, that one or two of the fraternities may choose instead to move off campus and become "underground fraternities." "We're definitely discussing this option," says Chi Psi's Cochran. "Some of our alumni think we should move off, and others think that it's a terrible idea."

Simply moving off campus might not be the easy maneuver it seems, says Dean Hanson. "For one thing, they'd be dealing with the town police and not just our more benign campus patrol," Hanson says. What's more, Hanson thinks the town of Middlebury might enact laws — as Hanover did when Dartmouth's Greeks left that campus — limiting the number of non-related people who may live at one address. (And Frank Kelley adds: "Who's going to want to sell them a house?")

"In almost all respects we'd hate to move off campus," Cochran says. "It's nice to have a campus house to come back to at reunions and that kind of thing, and our alumni feel strongly about that. They don't want to return to some half-legitimate off-campus house."

Still, Cochran says, moving off campus may be a valid option. "Our worry is that the co-ed fraternities won't evolve into anything notable," he says, "that there would be no tradition, no real commitment to anything, no backbone."

Student government president Suzy Chambers '90 disagrees. "Interest is growing among a lot of women, and I think more will become interested in the future," she says. "The College seems committed to making these houses fully co-ed, and I think a lot of women are excited about that prospect. They are willing to commit themselves to these organizations."

Chambers also thinks Middlebury's social scene will be changing, offering students more weekend options than merely frat parties. "The College is already providing things like The Black Cow Cafe (a weekly concert series with performances by offbeat rock bands)," she says, "and when the student center is completed a real void will be filled."

Two Middlebury women have already tasted life as fraternity members. Although they aren't recognized as "brothers" on a national level, Mimi Gottesfeld '90 and Laura Rude '90 have been members of KDR for the last year. Ironically, although Rude says she's enjoyed her year at KDR, she's not convinced that women belong in fraternities as they now exist. "It's been a good experience for me, but I was friends with all the guys in the fraternity before I joined," Rude says. "I'm not sure how well other women would fit in."

Rude adds, however, that "if the changes that the trustees want happen smoothly, fraternities should certainly have room for everyone."

Faculty members at Middlebury, for the most part, have been pleased with the trustee's decision. As a group they issued a statement that praised, in general, the decision, and expressed the hope that firm deadlines will be set up for the inclusion of women in terms of both membership and leadership. "We simply want to make sure that these changes are fully carried out," says philosophy professor Victor Nuovo.

Although Nuovo said he would have preferred a "clean break" from the fraternities, he thinks that the trustees' decision may help convey a better message about Middlebury's intellectual environment. "I think it would have been better to abolish them outright," he says. "There are consequences here for our reputation, and for the kind of students faculty members want to attract. But I suppose this is a step in the right direction."

One example of the kind of student Middlebury may be having a hard time attracting — or keeping — because of the fraternities' influence is Erica Olsen, a student from Georgia who transferred from Middlebury last year after her fourth semester. While at Middlebury she had good grades — and she founded a small women's magazine — but she wasn't happy. "The fraternities simply had too much control over the social life," Olsen says. "I felt very much left out and made to feel different when I didn't want to go to huge fraternity parties, when I didn't just want to go out and get drunk."

Olsen says that the issue isn't merely a women's issue. "I don't think very many of Middlebury's minority students — whether they're blacks or gays or Hispanics — feel very comfortable with a college that's so centered on fraternities. When fraternities set the social agenda, that agenda tends to be pretty narrow. It may not be the fraternities' fault that they're the only game in town, but that's the way it is."

While Chi Psi president Richard Cochran doesn't think fraternities make minority groups uncomfortable, he agrees with Olsen that fraternities have set the College's social tone to too large an extent. "There should be all kinds of social options at Middlebury," he says. "Fraternities should be just one of those options."

Cochran is one of many students who complain that faculty members have been playing "Father Knows Best" with their social lives without really knowing what goes on at the fraternities. As Suzy Chambers, the SGA president, puts it: "There are a lot of students who can't believe that faculty members can be so judgmental about what they do outside of class."

Paul Monod, the assistant professor of history, defends the faculty's feelings about frats. Just because this has been an era of "endisms — The End of Nature, The End of History — doesn't mean that what's happening to Middlebury's fraternities means 'The End of Fun,' " he says.

"Faculty members aren't kill-joys who read too many books and never have a good time," Monod says. "It's not anyone's intention to put a damper on Middlebury's social scene. But it would be good if we had perhaps a slightly more serious aura, if we seemed a little less like a country club."

Senior Wendy Bagwell says this about the impending changes: "Right now everyone is still wondering how the changes are going to take place. The upper classes know this won't affect them much, but the younger classes seem excited about having an opportunity to be a part of real change."

"Whatever happens in the next year or so," Bagwell adds, "things won't be dull."

THE STRENGTH OF THE HILLS IS HIS ALSO

The Robison Years

Change can be tough to get a handle on. We don't spend much time thinking about it, usually. But occasionally something breaks us out of our preoccupation with what's unchanging in our lives — daily routines, homes, families — and we see how much things have changed, and wonder how it could be. We don't recall the increments. So we're taken aback by their sum.

Measuring change is even tougher if you're dealing with a college, such as Middlebury, because there's an even stronger tendency to focus on the comforting constants: The College's setting in the Champlain Valley, with mountains to east and west; the buildings, some of which have stood for nearly 200 years; the faculty and staff who have been a part of the institution for decades; the students, forever young.

For many of us, it takes a period such as the one we're going through right now — the transition from one president to another — to make us curious about where we are, where we've been and how we got from there to here.

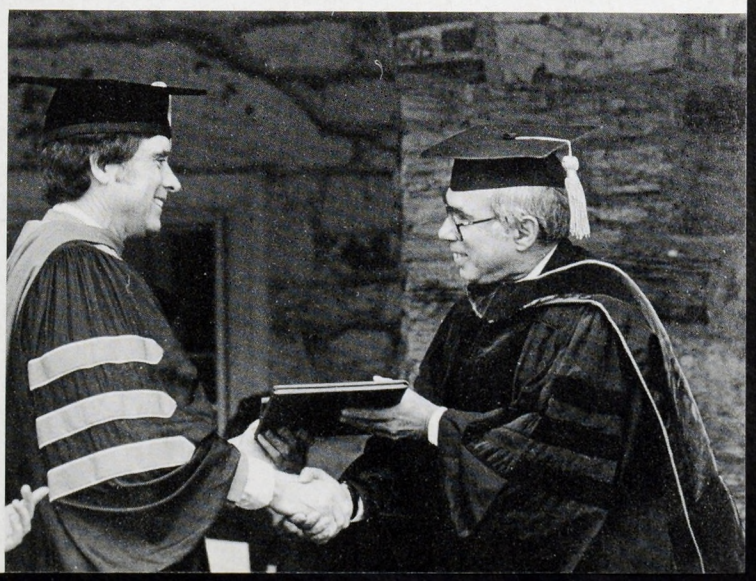
Olin Robison arrived on Middlebury's campus in 1975. The country had just gone through the twin traumas of Vietnam and Watergate. Richard Nixon had resigned the presidency less than a year before, and the evacuation of the U.S. Embassy in Saigon — symbolically, at least, the last act of a horrendously divisive war — was fresh in our memories. Gerald Ford was president. You could buy a new car for about $3,500. Middlebury's comprehensive fee was $4,450.

In the 15 years since, Middlebury has had just one president. The country has had four, and more change than most of us need. To buy that $3,500 new car today would cost you $15,000 or more. And it costs $20,300 for a year at Middlebury, which, back in '75, would have bought you all four years at Midd. *And* a new car.

Looking at Middlebury today, from the vantage point of 1975, you have to be stunned by the changes.

Take the campus itself. Sure, Old Chapel and Mead Chapel still dominate the skyline. But when the new Arts Center that's now taking shape is completed, nearly 20 percent of the space on campus will have been built in the last 15 years. Among the additions: the $2 million Meredith Wing of the Starr Library; the North Dormitory, which gave the College the extra beds it needed to allow extensive renovations of the existing dorms; Twilight Hall, a brick building on the green between the College and the town hall, acquired by the College in 1984 and reopened in 1986 with a theater, classrooms and faculty offices; two additions to the Field House, the most recent one including a new Fitness Center, with an array of equipment for aerobic and weight training. The College has also added snowmaking and new lifts at the Snow Bowl, completed the Jane and Carroll Rikert Ski Touring Center at Bread Loaf, built several new athletic fields, built a lighted cross-country trail circling the golf course, and put up three platform tennis courts. In the works, in addition to the $18 million, 90,000-square-foot Arts Center, is the conversion of McCullough Gym into a new Student Center.

And that doesn't include the buildings that have been here for generations but have been refurbished so thoroughly as to make them unrecognizable to those who worked or lived in them just a few years ago.



Opposite page: In 1979, President Robison walks down the path from Mead Chapel with Giorgi Vins, second from right, a Baptist minister from the Soviet Union. Vins was freed as part of a swap between the U.S. and the Soviet Union, which President Robison helped negotiate, involving prisoners of conscience held by the Soviets, and two Soviet citizens held by the U.S. on charges of espionage.

Top right: In 1988, the president and John McCardell, second from right, help members of the Class of '63 break ground on the site of the new Student Center.

Bottom right: President Robison presents an honorary degree to Felix Rohatyn '49 at Commencement in 1982.

At the VSO, Olin's best known as Sylvia Robison's husband

Next to President Robison, literally and figuratively, the person who has probably shaken more hands, hosted more dinners, made more trips to the airport, entertained more alumni and friends of the College, and attended more official College functions is Sylvia Robison, the president's wife. But to people in the community and the state, Sylvia Robison is more than the wife of the president of Middlebury. For example, for the past 10 years, she has worked with the Vermont Symphony Orchestra, and when the VSO faced administrative and financial troubles last year, the organization looked to Sylvia Robison for leadership. She became president of the VSO board, and in that role has been working to improve the orchestra's financial situation, and to oversee the search for a new conductor. She is also a trustee of the American Symphony Orchestra League. In fact, it's safe to say that for those in the Vermont music community, Olin Robison is better known as Sylvia's husband than as Middlebury's president.

Sylvia Robison, during inauguration week in 1975.

Her work with the VSO is just one reflection of her interest in the arts, and in education; before coming to Middlebury, Mrs. Robison had been a teacher and a junior high school principal. Since arriving in Vermont, she has served as chairman of the State Board of Libraries, has been on the national advisory board of Reading is Fundamental (also know as RIF), and has served as a trustee or as an advisor with many other local, regional and national organizations.

At the College, she has taken on the job of putting up and entertaining Middlebury's guests, and has also served, for the past 15 years, as the College's chief interior designer, supervising the refurbishing of most of the College's major public spaces. Three of the make-overs of which she is most proud are the newly-renovated and expanded Emma Willard House, the headquarters for the admissions and financial aid offices, the Chateau and the Painter House.

It's easy to forget these days that when the Robisons arrived in Middlebury in 1975, the College essentially had no guest facilities. Since then, Mrs. Robison has supervised the setting up of two guest houses, The Deanery at the bottom of College Street, and Hadley House (a gift from the estate of Egbert Hadley), which sits above the 10th tee at the Ralph Myhre Golf Course. Those two facilities function as annexes of the president's house at 3 South Street.

And it's at 3 South Street that Mrs. Robison works, whether in her office upstairs — equipped with a computer, and looking like many other home offices — or in her "public office": the kitchen on the ground floor. There, you can often find her with papers spread out on the U-shaped kitchen counter, planning meetings, compiling guest lists for this function or that, or preparing menus for the many meals that the College serves its visitors. It's not unusual to find her surrounded by students, parents, guests or other college staff members, discussing events at the College, education in general, the arts, or the current happenings in Eastern Europe.

Of course, during these last 15 years, the Robisons have also been raising three boys, all of whom are now in college or beyond. Gordon, a Pomona graduate, now holds forth for ABC News and other media from the Middle East. Blake, with a bachelor's degree from Williams, is an Equity actor, now completing work on a graduate degree in theatre from the University of North Carolina. And Mark is completing his sophomore year at Wesleyan University.

Sylvia Robison has helped hold together the far-flung family, even while attending to the needs of the College — dinners, sometimes every day of the week, as well as numerous meetings during the day dealing with everything from the College's fund-raising efforts to the design and use of new buildings.

So when Olin Robison stood in front the crowd in Mead Chapel back in October to announce his retirement, it was fitting that Sylvia was by his side, and that they acknowledged the standing ovation together. It has, indeed, been a team effort.

Obvious, too, particularly over the last couple of years, is the change in the student body. No, there aren't more of them — still just over 1,900. But the complexion of the student body has changed, both literally and figuratively. There are noticeably more African-Americans, more Asian-Americans, more Hispanic-Americans. And more foreign students.

The facilities available to those students, and to faculty and staff, could hardly have been dreamed of back in '75. Computers are a big part of the story. In the early '70s, a student, particularly an English major, could spend four years at Middlebury without ever seeing a computer. (This we can tell you from experience.) But today, you can't turn around on campus without banging your elbow on one of the things. Voter Hall is now home to the Ballenger Computer Center, with three floors of computers, from mainframes to micros. Most of the dorms have computer rooms available for students, and many students own their own computers. In the library, where once the card catalogs stood — row upon row of file drawers with hundreds of thousands of three by five cards — there now sit several computer terminals, with which you can find a book or an article almost instantaneously.

Those who were students in 1975 would be surprised, too, at the number of faculty, and the number of specialists in the various academic disciplines. The staff has also grown, faster than the faculty, particularly in the areas of student support — the financial aid office, the counseling center, and what was then called "the placement office," now known as career counseling and placement.

Since '75, dozens of courses, and even whole academic departments, have been grafted onto the curriculum. There are now majors in East Asian studies, Russian/Soviet area studies, Northern studies, international politics and economics. Undergraduates now study in the Japanese and Chinese languages. Middlebury now has a program for undergraduates in Moscow, established in 1977.

The difference in the student body may be the most significant, and the most significant financially for the College.

Of course, in some ways, the student body has changed very little. Says Nick Clifford, a professor of history and former provost, "The student body is not really different in any objective way. They're not smarter or dumber; they don't write better, or worse."

Yet there are differences, both obvious and subtle. One reason is the College's commitment, since the '80s began, to a need-blind admissions policy. The policy has had a huge impact on the College, both financially and in terms of the students who come here. Basically, the policy commits Middlebury to meet the demonstrated financial need of all students who are admitted. In the past, at least part of each freshman class had to be admitted with an eye toward whether they could pay the bills. But no more. If you can get in, Middlebury will pay whatever part of the cost your family can't handle. As plenty of families could tell you, this emphatically does *not* mean that everyone gets a free ride. Paying for an education at a place like Middlebury still represents a significant sacrifice for many.

John McCardell, a professor of history and now the provost and academic vice president, arrived at about the same time as Olin Robison, and has seen the College with and without need-blind admissions. "It's been consequential in the kinds of students who come here," he says. "For example, there is an admissions office program, relatively new, which seeks out and encourages students from rural backgrounds, many of whom will be the first generation of their families to attend college. This is the sort of diversity that is not immediately visible. In fact, it's largely invisible. But it's there, it's real, and it's a good thing."

When the campaign reached its $60-million goal in 1988, the president celebrated with David Thompson '49, campaign chairman, left, and honorary chairman Paris Fletcher '24.

Other "largely invisible" changes in the student body have taken place, as Middlebury reached beyond its historical recruiting grounds in the Northeast to look for students in the south and far west. Dubbed "Westward Ho" by Dean of Admissions Fred Neuberger '50, the program has led to larger and larger percentages of the student body coming from farther and farther away; it is no longer unusual to have more students in the freshman class from California (30, this year) than from Vermont (24).

Middlebury's minority recruiting, too, has been more successful, most noticeably in the years since 1983, when the Twilight Committee, appointed by President Robison, issued a report calling on the College to rededicate itself to recruiting and retaining minority students, faculty and staff. The class of '93, for example, includes 63 students who identify themselves as minorities — African-American, Hispanic or Asian — or nearly 13 percent of the 495 students who arrived in September. As recently as 1982, the percentage of minority students in the freshman class was around 5 percent, and minority applications were in decline.

There have been radical changes, too, in the faculty called upon to teach these students.

In 1979, there were 143 faculty members teaching in the College's classrooms. This year, the figure is 173, not including coaches, and not including about 25 faculty members who are on leave. And these faculty are better paid, and better supported in their academic research. "Teaching loads are better, compensation is better, research opportunities are better," says John McCardell. "Overall support for faculty is better than it's ever been. And I mean ever, in 190 years."

During President Robison's tenure, the College has continued a build-up in the faculty that began during James Armstrong's years as president, a build-up that came to an abrupt halt with the energy crisis of the early '70s. "That crisis froze just about everything," says Nick Clifford, "and we got pretty far behind. But Olin then made the decision that if we wanted quality, we'd have to pay for it. Fortunately for me, that coincided with the

1975-1990, a chronology

1974

James I. Armstrong announces that he'll step down as president in September of 1975. The trustees form a search committee to find Middlebury's 13th president.

1975

In April, the board of trustees elects Olin Robison as Middlebury's 13th president.

Olin Robison is inaugurated as president in November.

1976

The College holds its first-ever outdoor Commencement, behind Forest Hall.

The first Alumni College is held at Bread Loaf.

After 24 years, the Army phases out ROTC at Middlebury.

East Asian Studies is added as a major.

The faculty approves a major shift in Middlebury's curriculum requiring each student to take "foundation courses" in three of the four academic divisions and a "concentration" of four courses in a field substantially different from the major.

1977

The Christian A. Johnson Distinguished Chair in Economics is established.

The Warner Science building is renovated at a cost of $1 million.

Middlebury establishes a Russian School in Moscow in cooperation with the Pushkin Institute.

The Bread Loaf School of English establishes its summer program at Lincoln College, Oxford.

1978

The Coffrin Committee Report calls for improvements in the College's social spaces and a new relationship with fraternities.

1979

Dedication of the 25,000-square-foot, $2 million Meredith Wing of Starr Library.

The trustees name the nearly completed 18-hole golf course for Ralph O. Myhre, for many years manager of the course and the Snow Bowl, who died in 1979 at the age of 62.

The John and Barbara Kirk Alumni Center is dedicated.

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1979

A new Science Library is constructed on the top floor of the Science Center.

Baptist minister Giorgi Vins, one of five Soviet prisoners of conscience exchanged for two Soviet spies held in the U.S., arrives in Middlebury. He is the guest of President Robison, who was instrumental in the negotiations that led to his release.

1980

The College purchases the existing fraternity houses and begins a program of renovations.

Proctor Hall's dining facilities are refurbished and expanded.

1981

Dana Auditorium and Sunderland Language Laboratory are renovated and updated.

Walter Brooker retires as vice president for development after 25 years at the College.

President Robison takes a six-month leave of absence for study at Oxford and travel to the Soviet Union and the Middle East. Nicholas Clifford, professor of history, serves as acting president.

1982

The School of Arabic is established in the Summer Language Schools.

In November, Middlebury celebrates 100 years of coeducation with four days of special events.

1983

A $2.6 million renovation of the Field House is completed, including a remodeling of the gym, which is named for Arthur Pepin '47.

Carroll Rikert retires after serving the College for 31 years, 20 of them as treasurer.

The Faculty Long Range Planning Committee presents a report to the board of trustees that will serve as the basis for the needs to be addressed in the Campaign for Middlebury.

"A Prairie Home Companion," the public radio show hosted by Garrison Keillor, makes its first visit to Middlebury.

The Twilight Committee, commissioned by President Robison in 1981 to examine minority issues, presents a report calling for renewed efforts to recruit and retain minority students, faculty and staff.

1984

At Homecoming, the $60 million Campaign for Middlebury officially begins, with $13.8 million already pledged.

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beginning of my time as provost, so I got some of the credit for it. But it was really Olin's doing."

President Robison recalls a meeting of the trustees some years back, at which the trustees were, once again, shown a list of schools and what they paid their faculty members. And Middlebury was, once again, at the bottom of the list. "And Jack Kirk (a trustee and a member of the class of '39) said, 'Damn it, there's got to be a list somewhere that Middlebury's not last on.'

"Well, the faculty's Finance and Long Range Planning Committee came up with a list of 25 schools that were similar to Middlebury in many ways, and we presented that list to the trustees (in 1982). And we were last. But we decided to aim to put Middlebury in the second quintile, somewhere between sixth and 10th. And we've made it. Every year, we've leapfrogged someone else on the list. It's never a done thing. We have to keep working at it. But it was an agreed upon measurement, and a worthy goal to reach.

"What we've accomplished in terms of compensation is brilliant. I can't think of another school with our profile of improvement. Sure, you can say that's because we had a long way to go. But we got the resources, and we did it."

As the president points out, you don't pay faculty members more because you expect people to thank you for it — because probably they won't. "You do it because it's the worthy thing, the right thing to do, to make it possible for people to lead good and comfortable lives. There's always going to be a tension there (between administrators and faculty members). But I can't tell you how pleased I am with where our salaries and benefits are today. One can't expect faculty members to be grateful, particularly those who weren't here 10 or 15 years ago, and don't know how far we've come. But I am grateful, to everyone who's had a part in making it possible."

Like most other institutions, Middlebury is constantly examining and re-examining its curriculum, and the past 15 years have been no exception. Several major studies of the curriculum have been undertaken, and many substantive changes have been incorporated, most recently the "freshman seminars," in which entering students are required to take two small, writing-intensive, multi-disciplinary seminars in their first two years at Middlebury.

Perhaps most noticeable is the increasingly international feel of Middlebury's

With William F. Buckley Jr. and the Dalai Lama during a 1984 symposium at Middlebury on the Christ and the Boddhisattva.

course offerings. With its summer language schools, the College has always had an international flavor. But in the late '70s and the '80s, the College has built on that reputation. New majors with significant international and foreign language components have been introduced, including East Asian studies, which includes Chinese or Japanese language courses; Russian/Soviet area studies; international politics and economics; and the international major, in which students study in their chosen discipline in a foreign country, in the language of that country. Since '75, Middlebury has also added a program in Moscow, established in collaboration with the Pushkin Institute, and added the study of Chinese and Japanese at the undergraduate level. In the summer, the language schools have added courses in Arabic.

"The international side of Middlebury has certainly broadened during the past 15 years," says Ed Knox, vice president for foreign languages, "and among liberal arts colleges, we're certainly one of the most internationally oriented. About 35 percent of our students spend a semester or a year

abroad. That's one of the highest percentages. And we have stricter requirements in foreign language competence — five or six semesters of study — than most schools with similar programs. It shows the seriousness of the language component in international programs. And it allows students to better integrate language study and study in another discipline."

More evidence of Middlebury's international accent can be found in the American Collegiate Consortium for East-West Cultural and Academic Exchange, which is based at the College. The program was conceived and negotiated by President Robison and Ray Benson, a former U.S. diplomat, now director of the Consortium. For the past two years, it has coordinated year-long, largely unchaperoned visits to American colleges, including Middlebury, by Soviet students; and this year, it really became an exchange, sending a group of American students, including some from Middlebury, to study at universities in the Soviet Union.

President Robison's personal and professional interest in international relations has played a part in broadening the College's horizons. And it hasn't hurt the College's visibility around the country and the world.

President Robison arrived in 1975 with a history of involvement in government — as an administrator with the Peace Corps, and an official in the State Department — and an expertise in Soviet/American relations. Though he's often referred to in the media as a "Soviet expert," he says he's "never, at any time, anywhere, not once, claimed to be an expert on the Soviet Union. I'm keenly aware of the limits of my knowledge, and of the fact that I don't speak the language.

"But I've spent most of my adult life involved in foreign affairs, and as a student of foreign policy. I've made 50 trips to the Soviet Union. I have a long-term professional relationship with official Washington, including the White House, the State Department and the Defense Department. And to the degree that I have something to offer in the way of expertise, it's in the Soviet Union's relations with the U.S. and the West, and particularly the human rights aspect of it."

This involvement in foreign affairs has been one of the focal points of efforts over the years to help improve what the politicians and pollsters would call Middlebury's name recognition. President Robison will be the first to admit that being a college president isn't usually enough to get you invited to appear on TV and radio shows. "In all my years here," he says, "two things — a piece I wrote on (former Education Secretary) Bill Bennett, and one interview with John McLaughlin — those were the only things I was invited to do because I was the president of Middlebury College. As much pride as we have in this place, being a college president isn't that unusual. There are 3,400 colleges and universities in this country."

But because of his expertise in the relationship between Moscow and Washington, he's frequently asked for his thoughts by the broadcast media. He's also received a lot of positive publicity for his work with Soviet dissidents, including his role in the negotiations leading to the release, in 1983, of a group of Pentecostals who had sought asylum in this country; and, in 1979, a swap of two Soviets being held in this country for espionage for Baptist minister Giorgi Vins and several other "prisoners of conscience" in the Soviet

1984

William Fowler, the 1983 Nobel Prize winner in physics, comes to Middlebury for three days of lectures and discussions.

The Dalai Lama, spiritual leader of the world's Tibetan Buddhists, and five other religious experts visit Middlebury to take part in a symposium exploring the importance of the Christ and the Bodhisattva figures in contemporary life.

Snowmaking and a new chairlift are added at the Middlebury College Snow Bowl.

"Christmas in Vermont, A Celebration of Lessons and Carols," filmed at Vermont's Mead Chapel, airs on PBS stations around the country, beginning a Christmas season tradition.

1985

The major in Russian/Soviet area studies is established, and for the first time Japanese language courses are offered to undergraduates during the regular academic year.

The first New England Young Writers' Conference, for talented high school writers, is held in May at the Bread Loaf campus.

1986

The College Street School, purchased by the College in 1984 and refurbished at a cost of $1.7 million, is rededicated as Alexander Twilight Hall.

The Mead Chapel carillon is renovated and expanded to 48 bells, thanks to a gift from Allan Dragone '50 and his wife Jane.

The College receives the largest gift in its history — about $6 million — from the estate of Alexander Hamilton Fulton, a former member of the board of trustees.

Work is completed on North Dormitory, a $4 million residence hall designed to house 130 students. The new dorm is located just east of the SDU's.

Middlebury begins the process of divesting itself of the stocks of companies doing businesses in South Africa.

The faculty rejects most of the recommendations of a special committee on the curriculum, which had suggested eliminating Winter Term and adopting a trimester system.

Charles Scott retires after 35 years as Middlebury's chaplain.

The renovated and expanded hockey rink is christened the Duke Nelson '32 Arena.

John Zaccaro Jr., a Middlebury senior and the son of former vice presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro, is arrested on drug charges by state and local police.

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An open letter to the Middlebury College community

from Olin C. Robison

It is hard to look upon what Sylvia and I are about to do as the ending of anything, for a place like Middlebury is more oriented to celebrate beginnings than conclusions, and so are we.

Fifteen years ago, as I stood before the assembled Middlebury College Community on the occasion of the 175th anniversary of the College's founding, I talked about institutions and people. I contended that the third quarter of the 20th century might well be one of the most constructively creative periods in the history of the Republic. That contention was based on reflections about the conflicts of the '50s, '60s and early '70s, out of which had come major redefinitions in the relationship between institutions and individuals. It had been a time of reassessing the permissible limits of what institutions could expect or require of people.

At the signing of the agreement, in 1988, creating the American Collegiate Consortium for East-West Exchanges.

Looking back now, I think that assessment has proven to be accurate. It has indeed been a constructive and creative period for the College. Sylvia and I are honored to have had a part in it. Now, in the College's 190th year, I am convinced that the College faces the future from an enviable position of strength.

Here at Middlebury these years have seen great changes — some a part of normal growth, some a part of the collective vision of a community which I have often described as small international university disguised as a quiet liberal arts college in Vermont.

Middlebury College has always played a role in international understanding but today its importance is even clearer. As our students emerge to become the leaders of business, government, education, religion, arts, science and letters, they do so with strong beliefs built on reasoned discussion and probing study of the opinions and ideas of people living on a shrinking planet. They face a world where the understanding of foreign cultures and languages are as critical to their success as the comprehension of our own history and our own cultural foundations.

We have not significantly changed the way in which we teach English or economics or theatre or biology or Italian. Rather, we have changed the way we understand all those disciplines and how we apply that understanding to our world. Whether the discussions have been of freedom in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, Third World development, or South African divestment, there has been a reasoned approach here at Middlebury to the discussions of the role that we ought to play, both as individuals and as institutions, in the future of the planet. Middlebury College is perceived as a leader in providing a superb liberal arts curriculum with a strong multicultural international emphasis.

Within that broad international perspective, the institution has consistently tried to examine its own domestic frailties. From the movement toward aid-blind admissions policies in the '70s to a series of recommendations on the ways in which we can improve the way in which the institution handles gender issues in the '90s, Middlebury has confronted and responded to the challenges of our times. We have challenged ourselves to serve as a model for a larger society — something that we can do because of our size and sense of community — regarding many of the social needs of our day.

This institution has committed itself to the diversity that is critical to a rich intellectual community. We have tried to build upon each new program and each success with an ever more heterogeneous student body and faculty. Whether this involves students from a Bronx high school, who along with their faculty regularly visit Middlebury and receive our students and faculty in return; whether it has to do with students from junior colleges throughout the country who demonstrate great promise and have places reserved for them at Middlebury; whether it is students from rural areas around the Northeast for whom a college like Middlebury was not even a dream a year ago; whether it is a Pakistani youth or a Soviet exchange student, or a 45-year old artist from the People's Republic of China, Middlebury has become a diverse institution where the mix of students is a pillar of strength on which to build the future. The face of the College has changed in the past decade and it will continue to change. It is the best kind of growth and development.

Sylvia and I are proud to have been able to play a role in the history of a college where past and present touch so clearly in

the daily lives of the community. We are grateful to have been entrusted with the stewardship of this special place, of its traditions as well as its financial management and general well being. We believe that we will deliver to our successors an institution strong and viable, proud of its values and prepared for a new set of challenges.

Most of all, however, we have been able to depend upon the trust and support of a community that spreads from here in Vermont throughout the world. A student seeking a job in Paris, a team seeking sustenance in California, friends in Beijing, or a group of students and their families seeking community after a tragic accident in Missouri have all found a community of humane, understanding and devoted parents, graduates, faculty and students, always readily available.

Both Sylvia and I especially want to use this opportunity to extend our thanks and appreciation to those dedicated and committed women and men who have served tirelessly on the College's Board of Trustees. Their wisdom and leadership and friendship, as well as their devotion to the future of Middlebury, are a reassurance to the whole College community.

Likewise, our thanks to those who have served on boards and committees, and in various other positions — alumni board members, fund raising volunteers, class secretaries, members of alumni admissions support groups, all sorts of task forces and special committees, capital campaign committees, career counselors, parents committees, reunion chairs, alumni hosts and telethon volunteers — the list is endless and so is the dedication.

For the next year, Sylvia and I will be engaged in professional activities in Europe, spending a little time in Washington and doing some travelling. In the fall of 1991, it is our plan to return to our home in Weybridge and I will return to the College as a member of the faculty. Our commitment to Middlebury is the same as ever; only the role will change.

At this time of new beginnings for Middlebury College, we extend our best wishes to Tim and Joy Light as Tim becomes the 14th president of the College and as they both assume those special roles of leadership that are so important to the life of Middlebury College. We can assure them of our complete support, and further assure them that they come to a community which shares in their vision for our common future.

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"And throughout," he says, "I've tried to do these things in ways that are assets to the College. Take radio, for example. We've done a lot with radio that no one ever hears about. There are a few big 50,000-watt radio stations out there in the country, and I'm one of their drive-time interview types. And I can do the interviews from right here in my office. Typically, you're on for an hour, nine minutes on, one minute off. And I get the host to agree to say, at the beginning and the end of each segment, 'We're talking with Olin Robison, the president of Middlebury College.' On TV, I always ask the producer, 'How have you got me labeled?' I make sure I'm labeled as the president of Middlebury."

"Now, I find there are a lot of people who see me, and don't have any idea what my name is, but they know I'm the president of Middlebury College. This was part of a conscious decision to step up our use of the electronic media. We haven't stopped doing print media, but we've added this other layer to it.

"We have various measures of excellence we use, and they're all valid. But they don't automatically translate into a better reputation. For example, if you have a great economics department, that will be known mostly by people in the economics departments at other colleges. It won't be known by the 17-year-old high school student in Denver. And if that student is talking to his friends, and he says, 'I've been accepted at Dartmouth, and Middlebury, and Swarthmore,' and his friends say, 'Middlebury? I've never heard of it,' then you're dead, you really are. But if the friend says, 'Oh, yeah, Middlebury,' then you've got a chance.

"These two ways of measuring, the substantive and the more ephemeral, are really married. You can make the College better and better, with an improved faculty, improved facilities, more financial aid, but while you're doing that, you can't count on the public to find out about it on their own. You have to tell them about it.

"In the past 15 years, I think we've raised the public image of the College dramatically nationwide. What's my role been? I can get us air time. And that gets us more recognition."

Ed Knox thinks that President Robison's touch with the media certainly has helped. "I think the visibility of the good things we do increased, both on campus and off," he says. "And that improved our self-image. It's bumped us up several notches in the last 15 years."

Of course, the media attention can also require traveling, in addition to that required for other presidential matters, including fund-raising. And it's the time he's spent away from the campus that has been the most consistent criticism of President Robison's tenure.

"Certainly, the traveling has accrued to the College's visibility," says Knox. "I wonder if in some sense it balances out. But it's hard to know, because you're talking about apples and . . . well, not even oranges, something even more different. It's hard to balance the increased visibility and reputation for the College on the one hand, and the frustration of students and faculty on campus with a president who was often not around."

Nick Clifford puts the question in historical perspective. "I don't like the idea of marketing," he says, "but I'm realistic enough to know we've got to do it. And it's interesting to note that the same criticism was made of James I. Armstrong, that he was always on the road. In fact, the university president against whom these criticisms were made the most was the Rev. Theodore Hesburgh of Notre Dame. I think he holds the record for the number of honorary degrees received. But it was during his tenure that Notre Dame came to be known for something other than a football team."

Says McCardell, "I think it's interesting to see the shift in attitude that occurs when Middlebury students become young Middlebury alumni. Recent graduates seem to have more pride in Olin Robison, the public figure who is also president of their alma mater, than they did in Olin Robison when they were in school, when he was simply the president of the College. As alumni, they're glad to see the president out there, in the news, to hear the College's name. I think it makes them feel more attached to the school, and gives them a feeling that they went to a school where things are happening, where people are engaged in debating the issues of the day."

The folks quoted above — Knox, McCardell and Clifford — are just three examples of one of the policies of which President Robison is most proud: the drafting of faculty members to handle most of the important administrative jobs at the College, as opposed to searching for administrators from other colleges. The list of those who have served is long, and includes, in addition to the three listed above, George Saul (biology), Bruce Peterson (mathematics), John Emerson (mathematics), Margaret

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1987

The First four master's degrees are granted at Middlebury's School in Moscow.

The College's library goes "online," allowing computer access to its holdings

1988

International Institute for Economic Advancement established at Middlebury, to examine and hold conferences on important public policy issues.

Erica Wonnacott, dean of students from 1970-1988, retires. Karl Lindholm '67 is selected to succeed her.

The Campaign for Middlebury reaches its $60 million goal, a year ahead of schedule.

"Freshman seminars," small interdisciplinary classes with intensive writing components, are instituted.

Dedication of the Ballenger Computer Center in Voter Hall.

A group of Soviet students arrives to spend a year, largely unchaperoned, studying at American colleges, under the auspices of the Middlebury-based American Collegiate Consortium for East-West Cultural Exchange.

1989

After more than a year of debate among students, faculty and administrators over the future and the value of Winter Term, the faculty votes, 98-90, to retain Winter Term, but to work to revitalize it.

The College announces an "academic partnership" with DeWitt Clinton High School in the Bronx, including exchanges of students, faculty and alumni.

The Fitness Center addition to Memorial Field House is completed.

Work begins on an $18 million Arts Center, on the south side of Route 30, between Chi Psi and Memorial Field House

Olin Robison announces that he will retire at the end of academic year, after 15 years as president. The trustees appoint two committees to search for his successor.

The Campaign for Middlebury ends on December 31, with a total of $80.1 million, a third more than its $60 million goal.

1990

The trustees elect Dr. Timothy Light, the unanimous choice of the search committees, as the 14th president of Middlebury College.

Work begins on a renovation of and addition to McCullough Gym, which will become the new Student Center.

O'Brien (biology), Russ Leng (political science), John Spencer (history), Stephen Rockefeller (religion), Robert Gleason (chemistry), Roger Peel (Spanish), Victor Nuovo (philosophy), Stephen Donadio (American literature), and Ted Perry (theatre), among others.

"The reasoning," says John McCardell says, "is that what might be lost in administrative efficiency is more than made up for with less of the 'us-vs-them' distinction. And it's worked, to a large extent. There are a good number of faculty members who have served as administrators and returned to teaching with their reputations largely intact, their stature only temporarily diminished by their association with this building (Old Chapel).

"The disadvantage may be that we don't get perspectives on how other places do things (which we would if we were bringing in administrators from other places). But I'm not sure that we aren't overly concerned with how other places do things. This is not some other place. You hear it quite often: Why can't Middlebury be more like BLANK? Well, at BLANK, they might be asking, 'Why can't we be more like Middlebury?' Each institution is unique, with a unique set of assets and liabilities."

As president, Olin Robison has never been hesitant to talk about money, and he thinks that the simple willingness to talk about it has made a difference during the past 15 years. He recalls that when he arrived back in 1975, there "was still some discomfort about talking about money. If it wasn't in bad taste, at least it was tending in that direction."

That first year, the College raised $1.9 million, as it wrapped up its 175th anniversary capital campaign. Annual giving was running around $430,000, with 37 percent of the alumni donating an average of about $38.

"We thought that was pretty darn good, and it was," President Robison says. "But I remember going around that first year, and everywhere I went, I got up and said, 'Every time I come here, I'm going to talk about money. I can't imagine there's a Middlebury alum who can't afford to contribute $100.' And people would come up to me after the talk and hand me checks for $100. I would come back with a fistful of checks. (By 1978-79, the average gift would be more than $100.)

"The point is that we had never done this kind of sales job on Middlebury's extended family. And coming from there, to this year closing out the Campaign for Middlebury with a total of $80 million is just astonishing. We've accomplished the goal of getting that extended family to start thinking in more generous terms about giving to the College."

Some of the reasons for that turnaround: Challenging the reunion classes to give more, and getting them to think about giving in a competitive way; getting serious about the College's data base, which is now on computers, and is being used in more sophisticated ways ("You can't ask someone for serious money," the president says, "unless you have some idea of their ability to make a gift"); and a revolution in what's called "planned giving," which includes bequests to the College. ("Ten or 11 years ago," President Robison says, "I asked Walter Brooker and Gordie Perine and everyone else in development to give me a list of all the people who had Middlebury in their wills. The total was about 13. Now there are more than a thousand.")

The growth of charitable giving was paralleled by changes in the way the College managed its money, particularly its investment portfolio. "Up until 1975, we had managed money *very* conservatively," the president says. In surveys of return on investment conducted by the National Organization of College and University Business Officers, the College usually had a low ranking. "I asked the trustees to create a committee to analyze the way we were investing our money, and set goals for performance. The goal that was set was a total return of 10 percent. Then we turned to our investment advisors and said that it was up to them to perform. Don't ask us about debt/equity ratios, or about the amount of income we need. Just get us that total return. And before long we went from near the bottom of the NACUBO survey to near the top. Obviously, we benefited from rising markets, but we had positioned ourselves to take advantage of those rising markets aggressively."

In recent years, the College has been able to average a 14 percent return on its investments, while allowing itself to spend no more than 5 percent of that return. And that's accounted for at least half of the growth in the endowment, which has grown from about $32 million on June 30, 1975, to more than $217 million, as of June 30, 1989.

A third component of the College's financial success over the past decade and a half involves pricing the product. Not long after he arrived, President Robison says,

he began to suspect that "we were underpricing what Middlebury had to offer. Our comprehensive fee was about $1,000 less than those at comparable schools. We felt we were saying, 'We can provide the same quality education for less money.' But the public perceived it as meaning, 'It's not as good an education.'

"This difference in price inhibited what we could do. So in a year (1982) that everyone else went up $500, we went up $1,500. It's one of the two or three most important decisions we've made in reshaping our finances."

Taken together, these money decisions have allowed a lot of good things to happen, including improved compensation for faculty and staff, and need-blind admissions. For example, following that $1,500 increase in the comprehensive fee in 1982, faculty salaries did some quick catching up — rising 15 percent the next year. As for financial aid, in 1975, about 18 percent of Middlebury's students were receiving help with their college bills. Now the figure is nearly double that, about 35 percent, and the average grant has increased from $1,760 to more than $11,000. At the same time, the College has reduced the faculty/student ratio from about 1:15 to about 1:12, and made sizable increases in its commitment to student services.

You occasionally hear on campus that the College's good financial fortunes are the result of the stock market's "rising tide that lifts all boats." But as Ed Knox says, "It's easy to say, 'Oh, anyone can raise money.' Well, you look around, and it turns out that not just anyone can raise money. I don't believe in accidents and inevitability."

A few years back, President Robison mentioned that when you become president of a college, you inherit a reservoir of good feelings, and you hope to leave before the reservoir is empty. So it's probably fair to ask: Has the reservoir been emptying slowly all these years? "Well, you hope there will be a little rain from time to time," he said, "to lift the level a bit. It's not a fixed level; it goes up and down.

"What you want to do is try to create a climate in which certain good things can happen, a context in which something that you want to have happen seems the most natural thing in the world. If you're successful, you don't get any of the credit; it's become a community achievement.

The Robisons acknowledge a standing ovation from the crowd that packed Mead Chapel last fall, when the president announced he would retire at the end of the academic year.

"We've gotten a lot done. But the price that the person in this job has to pay is that people feel everything good that happens was going to happen anyway. But bad things are someone's fault.

"I remember when I arrived, I said to the board and to the faculty and to anyone else who would listen that whatever else would be said about my time here, it wouldn't be a period of drift. Academic institutions are notoriously indecisive. But I think we made decisions. That doesn't ensure that everyone will be happy, or that we always made the right decisions. But we can say that we decided things and moved on. If this has been a period of unparalleled progress and growth for the College, it's in large part because we've made decisions.

"When I was in Oxford as a graduate student, they were giving Harry Truman an honorary degree. And I couldn't understand why everyone at Oxford seemed to love Truman so much. They told me, 'Mr. Truman could decide. History will treat him kindly because he was decisive. Some of his decisions will be judged wrong. But he made decisions, at a time that the U.S. and the world needed someone decisive.'

"Jim Armstrong made everyone take Middlebury more seriously. I'd like to think we continued that. Now I think the College is in for a period of consolidation, as we digest an extraordinary period of growth, and prepare for what comes next.

"And what comes next is probably going to be a big capital campaign, between 1995 and 2000. The preparation period for that would be between 1993 and 1995, and that's pretty soon.

"I hope we've laid the groundwork for that. I think we have. I think we've been successful in raising everyone's expectations about what's possible for Middlebury."

The historians will reach the final verdict on the Robison years, so it's probably appropriate to give a historian the last word here.

David Stameshkin, the college historian, is now at work wrapping up the second volume of his history of Middlebury. In the chapter devoted to the Robison years — which has, obviously, been a big help in putting together this article — Stameshkin concludes that President Robison "succeeded in his objective of making Middlebury a more exciting place and improving the self-confidence of the College," noting also that he had "attempted these improvements at a time when American higher education was mired in a bitter pessimism that could not help but affect Middlebury . . . the period of 1945-72 was an era of great qualitative and quantitative growth for the College and for most of American higher education. By the late 1970's, however, growth and hope had given way to contraction and anxiety at many schools . . . In such an environment, Robison's initial efforts in 1975-80 (particularly his attempt to improve the College's self-confidence) were apparently not as successful as they might have been 10 years earlier. In the early 1980s, however, the College was able to increase significantly faculty compensation and the size of the faculty, as well as to upgrade the physical facilities of the school. The malaise of the 1970's was transformed into an exciting era of construction, renovation, growth and raised expectations . . .

"In short, during his 15 years at Middlebury, Olin Robison has successfully continued the missions of presidents (Samuel) Stratton and (James) Armstrong to make Middlebury competitive with the very best small liberal arts colleges in the nation.

"And, unlike his two immediate predecessors, Robison had to do much of his work against the prevailing historical winds." — *T.E.*

The strike

Twenty years ago this spring, Middlebury joined the Movement

"It's possible that the campuses are really going to blow up after this speech."

— President Richard M. Nixon to his secretary, one day before announcing the U.S. invasion of Cambodia on April 30, 1970.

Richard Nixon has always prided himself on his skill at political prognostication. He was never more accurate than just prior to his ill-fated military "incursion" into Cambodia 20 years ago this spring. That dramatic escalation of the already-controversial Vietnam War triggered the largest student strike in American history. Among the 4 million people involved in the coordinated campus protests in May 1970 were hundreds of students and faculty members at Middlebury who joined the strike when National Guardsmen gunned down four student demonstrators at Kent State University in Ohio. The Kent State killings brought the war home with stunning impact, creating what a presidential Commission on Campus Unrest later called "an unparalleled crisis" in higher education. More than 500 schools cancelled classes and 51 did not reopen for the rest of the semester. More than 2,000 students were arrested during the first few days of May. Thirty Reserve Officer Training Corps buildings were set on fire or bombed. Heavily armed National Guardsmen were deployed on a score of campuses.

A Mead Chapel audience during the strike.

By Steve Early '70

From the 1971 *Kaleidoscope* ...

" 'That's one thing we learned about. Well, like take peace, the main thing. Most people think that all it means is peace between nations. But, you see, you can't have peace between nations until you have peace between people, me and you. And we can't have peace with each other until each of us has peace with himself.' "

Obie Benz

The Campus October 2, 1970

Members of the Middlebury community — many of them previously inactive — were plunged into a frenetic round of mass meetings, vigils, memorial services, workshops, and petition drives. Even at Middlebury, a college building was torched and a ROTC classroom vandalized. James I. Armstrong, then Middlebury's president, joined 34 other college and university presidents in sending a letter to Nixon which called for a quick end to the war.

To those in college today, two decades after Kent State and the five day suspension of normal activity at Middlebury that followed it, the very notion of a general strike by students may seem strange indeed — except in the context of contemporary political upheavals in countries such as Czechoslovakia or China. But the enormous outpouring of student activism that occurred in the U.S. that spring created political tremors that were very real at the time and left a deep impression on many participants at Middlebury and elsewhere.

Not the least of the strike's accomplishments was that it may have actually helped shorten the war. According to former *New York Times* correspondent Neil Sheehan, author of the prize-winning Vietnam history, *A Bright Shining Lie*, "the bonfire of protest" ignited by the Cambodia invasion was so great that the Nixon Administration "had no choice but to accelerate the withdrawal" of U.S. troops.

As an historical event and symbol of a turbulent era in academia and America, the student strike of 1970 is thus well worth examining on its 20th anniversary.

In many ways, May 1970 was the highwater mark of the campus-based anti-war movement. But opposition to U.S. intervention in Southeast Asia had been building steadily at Middlebury and other schools throughout the late 1960's.

Student activism over Vietnam was a response to developments at home and abroad. There was the rising toll of death and destruction caused by the war, forced conscription in the form of "the draft," and what was widely seen as university complicity with the war effort through ROTC programs and on-campus recruitment by the Central Intelligence Agency, and by Dow Chemical, manufacturer of the infamous anti-personnel weapon known as napalm.

The prior pattern of protest activity at Middlebury — which helped lay the groundwork for the strike — was similar to that at other schools. The enormous build-up of American military forces in Southeast Asia in 1965-66 had generated growing concern about the intentions of President Lyndon Johnson, who had only recently defeated right-wing Republican Barry Goldwater, to the great relief of many in the academic community.

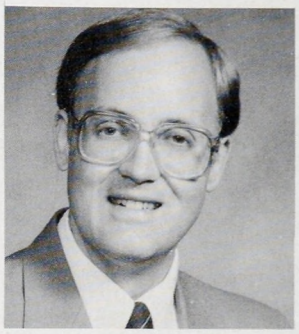
Student and faculty criticism of the Johnson Administration found its earliest and most polite expression in the "teach-in" movement. At schools like Middlebury, in the fall of 1967, supporters of military intervention — often officials of

The loyal opposition

While many politically active Middlebury students spent the late '60s and early '70s vigorously protesting the Vietnam policies of the Nixon administration, there were some who did not.

Under the leadership of Jim Douglas '72, the Middlebury Young Republicans were staunch supporters of President Nixon. When the strike took place in 1970, Douglas and other GOP activists were not happy about the College's handling of the situation. In a 1976 interview with *The Campus*, Douglas argued that "it was only a minority who wanted to shut down academic activity. A total cessation of classes might well have been avoided if some of the leaders in Old Chapel had been a little bit more level headed."

At the time, Douglas said, "I don't think anyone was ready to listen to Republican views." But no matter how out of step he or his colleagues may have been with their fellow students on the issue of the war, they clearly took comfort from the fact that, in "the real world" beyond the campus in 1970, the "silent majority" of Vermonters were on their side.



Jim Douglas, Vermont's secretary of state

Republicans controlled the governor's office, both houses of the Legislature (by 2-1 margins), and Vermont's entire Congressional delegation. As he noted then, "in a traditionally Republican state, there isn't too much the Young Republicans have to do." At a state Republican fundraising dinner in the fall of 1970, Douglas recalls, the keynote speaker, arch-conservative cartoonist Al Capp of "Li'l Abner" fame, responded to the Kent State tragedy by declaring that the real heroes of the encounter were the National Guardsmen.

After graduation, Douglas parlayed his ties with Vermont GOP leaders, including Gov. Deane Davis, into a successful political career. First elected to the Vermont House in 1973, he later became a top aide to Gov. Richard Snelling. And, since 1980, he has been elected and repeatedly re-elected, by huge margins, to Vermont's third highest statewide office, secretary of state.

Due to demographic changes over the past 20 years, however, the politics of the state now seem more influenced by 1960's-style liberalism than the conservative Republicanism of Davis and the young Jim Douglas. The state's three-term governor, Madeleine Kunin, is a Democrat, as is Patrick Leahy, Vermont's senior senator. The Democrats have controlled the Legislature for the past few years, and for much of the 1980's, the state's largest city, Burlington, had a socialist mayor, Bernie Sanders. In Democratic presidential caucuses in 1988, the Rev. Jesse Jackson edged out Michael Dukakis.

Douglas concedes that Vermont "is different than it was 20 years ago," and the politics "much more competitive." Despite his "allegiance to the Republican president at the time," he — like many other Americans — now views the war somewhat differently. In retrospect, he says, it "looks like a quagmire into which we might better not have stepped."

But, he is quick to add, "I still don't think that shutting down colleges was a proper response." The Middlebury administration's decision to cancel classes for a week "was unfair to those of us who paid the tuition" and expected a full schedule. "We were entitled," he contends, "to our money's worth."

— *S.E.*

the State Department or the U.S. Information Agency — squared off in marathon public debates with academic experts who argued that Johnson's anti-communist crusade in Vietnam was doomed to bloody failure.

On campuses across the country, the teach-ins became a valuable organizing tool. As Nancy Zaroulis and Gerald Sullivan observed in their 1984 study of the peace movement — *Who Spoke Up?* — the original idea "was to educate rather than enlist recruits for protest against the Administration, but in the process of learning about what the United States was doing in Vietnam, a good many students were turned against Johnson's policies."

Talk turned to action most dramatically on October 21, 1967. Fifty-thousand opponents of the war — including 30 students from Middlebury — marched on the Pentagon in the seminal anti-war action colorfully recounted in Norman Mailer's *Armies of the Night*. Confronting thousands of troops with bayonet-equipped rifles, the demonstrators drew on the civil disobedience tradition of the southern civil rights movement: They sat down and refused to move. In the first mass arrests of the war, 683 people were hauled off to jail, among them three members of the Middlebury contingent.

Back at Middlebury, the reality of Vietnam and the domestic schisms it was causing were now apparent even to casual readers of the student newspaper. On February 8, 1968, *The Campus* ran a front-page report on the combat death of Bayard Russ '66, a 24-year-old Marine first lieutenant, the second Middlebury graduate killed in Vietnam. Several issues later, there was an interview with John Plant '67, one of the thousands of Americans who chose exile in Canada over forced enlistment in a war they believed to be immoral.

As the Tet offensive in February 1968 shattered Lyndon Johnson's hopes for military victory, the Middlebury Mobilization for Peace stepped up its activities on campus, which included a sit-in at the Placement Office directed at a recruiter for Dow Chemical. Just prior to a second teach-in at the College, four out of every five students surveyed in a campus poll expressed opposition to U.S. policy in Southeast Asia and called either for unilateral withdrawal or a cessation of American bombing followed by negotiations with the National Liberation Front and North Vietnam. "Mobe" organizers encouraged students to participate in the 1968 Democratic primary campaign of peace candidate Eugene McCarthy. Some went to work for him in both New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

The death of Robert Kennedy, assassinated after winning the California Democratic primary, and the defeat of McCarthy, who lost the 1968 Democratic nomination to Vice President Hubert Humphrey, set the stage for widespread student disillusionment with the political process. While Richard Nixon was busy defeating Humphrey with the help of his "secret plan" to get the U.S. out of the war, activists at Middlebury formed the College's first local chapter of Students for a Democratic Society, then near the peak of its campus influence.

SDSers and other students and faculty members spent much of the 1968-69 academic year wrangling about ROTC's role at the College. This culminated in a May 1969 incident in which 250 students descended on a faculty meeting to protest footdragging by the Army in negotiations with Middlebury over the elimination of academic credit for ROTC and its status as a "Department of Military Science." Another campus opinion poll taken at the time showed that 80 percent of the student body favored reducing the program to the level of an extra-curricular activity, while a vocal minority of ROTC opponents wanted it abolished altogether as an expression of College disapproval of the war.

By the fall of 1969, anti-war activists had come to believe that President Nixon's "secret plan" only involved "changing the color of the corpses." The administration's strategy was to turn more of the ground fighting in Vietnam over to U.S.-backed Saigon government troops. But this "Vietnamization" of the conflict required massive escalation of American bombing throughout Vietnam, Laos and (secretly) Cambodia. Meanwhile, more than half a million Americans were still stationed in South Vietnam.

In October 1969, the American academic community responded with its most highly coordinated protests yet. Based on an appeal issued by 500 student leaders at 200 colleges, a one-day "moratorium" on normal activity was declared on October 15 on hundreds of campuses. The day was devoted to student-faculty convocations about the war and related issues. At Middlebury, 500 people gathered in Mead Chapel for speeches and a memorial service.

Exactly one month later, Vietnam Moratorium Day was followed by the November 15 "Mobilization in Washington." 175 Middlebury students boarded buses and cars to join the quarter of a million demonstrators who assembled in the nation's capital for the largest anti-war rally ever held there. The weekend-long protest included scuffles with the police and tear gas barrages at the Justice Department and South Vietnamese Embassy. The Middlebury delegation participated in a 40-hour "March Against Death," in which 40,000 protesters walked single file from Arlington National Cemetery to the White House — each carrying a placard with the name of an American G.I. killed in Vietnam.

Within a few months, the war's casualty list would not be limited to U.S. soldiers and more than a million Vietnamese; it would also include the names of college students like those studying at Middlebury.

"Tin soldiers and Nixon's coming,
We're finally on our own,
This summer, I hear the drummin',
Four dead in O-hi-o . . ."
— Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young, "Ohio," 1970

Jeffrey Miller, Allison Krause, William Schroeder and Sandy Scheuer died on Monday afternoon, May 4, 1970, after the two-day National Guard occupation of their Kent State campus erupted in gunfire. Nine other students were wounded, including one who was paralyzed for life. Even the FBI would later find that the Guard's action was "unnecessary, unwarranted and inexcusable." For students across the country, the massacre stirred the deepest emotions of the era.

Anti-war activist Howard Burchman '73, then a Middlebury freshman from Westchester County, N.Y., remembers that many of his fellow students were "shell-shocked" by the news. "The images that came out in the media coverage of Kent State created a sense of vulnerability that many had never felt before," he says. "That night, a group of us called for a strike over the Middlebury student radio station and spray-painted slogans on sidewalks all over the campus."

A petition supporting College participation in the mushrooming national strike movement quickly gathered hundreds of signatures. Presented and discussed at a Tuesday morning meeting of the College Council (a body then consisting of student government, faculty and administration representatives, and analagous to today's Community Council), the petition led to

unanimous adoption of a resolution calling for suspension of normal activities at Middlebury until the following Monday. Citing "the state of crisis precipitated by the expansion of the war in Southeast Asia," the Kent State deaths, and resulting "personal and community distress," the Council said the period of the strike should be devoted to a "re-examination of our collective and individual directions and purposes." A meeting of the faculty supported this action by a vote of 70 to 11, with four abstentions.

Karla Baehr Deletis '70, then Middlebury's student government president and now superintendent of schools in Wellesley, Mass., recalls feeling ambivalent about the decision to cancel classes — even though the Council's resolution recognized "the right of individuals to teach and learn according to their consciences without being subject to communal criticism or penalty." But in retrospect, she says, "closing things down" was "an appropriate way to call attention to and confront the larger issues that were harder to look at than English literature or history or the study of French."

ROTC members run a gauntlet of protesters during an anti-war action in the spring of 1970.

The rallies, meetings, educational workshops and political discussions that ensued went in a number of directions. Criticism of ROTC was revived. There were calls for renewed student involvement in electoral campaigns on behalf of anti-war candidates. Plans were made for outreach to the local community through door-to-door canvassing and leafletting (to follow-up an anti-draft march through downtown Middlebury conducted earlier in the spring). And black student representatives Arnold McKinney '70 (later a Middlebury dean) and Marcus Jones '71 called for greater recognition of the national strike demands that involved freeing Black Panther "political prisoners" and ending repression of other black militant groups. Prophetically — in light of the fatal police shooting of two black students at Mississippi's Jackson State on May 14 — McKinney and Jones argued that the tragic deaths at Kent State were only a pale reflection of the far greater violence visited on black communities in the 1960's.

During the strike, the bulletin boards and corridors of Proctor Hall became a kind of "Democracy Wall" — papered with the latest news clippings, leaflets, posters, sign up sheets, and reports form other campuses. Telephone and computer contact was established and maintained with the "National Strike Information Center" at Brandeis University and a host of strike start-up organizations like the "Union for National Draft Opposition" (UNDO), the "Continuing Presence In Washington" initiated at Dartmouth, and the "National Pause For Peace," a product of Williams College.

What struck many observers — then and now — was the unprecedented degree of student participation and interest. Howard Burchman describes "a sense of unity and solidarity with all of the other students and campuses" around the country. To Bob Metzger '72, a sophomore who had worked for McCarthy's 1968 campaign and who served on the strike steering committee, "the intensity of the experience went beyond the leadership and involved the whole student body." Erica Wonnacott, dean of students during the strike, remembers it as a time when very different types of people "stayed up all night talking together . . . trying to understand what was going on."

Although the tenor of events at Middlebury was quite orderly and tame compared to many other strike-bound campuses, the feelings of goodwill and togetherness were suddenly disrupted on May 7. An emotionally-disturbed student — with no apparent political motive — set fire to Recitation Hall, an old one-story, wooden-frame college building. The arsonist's identity and intent was initially unknown, however, and on campus and off the blaze sparked concern that the strike might somehow get out of hand, spawning serious unrest and violence that would provoke the intervention of outside governmental authorities. Town relations — already becoming tense — were not aided by the fire or the alarmist local newspaper coverage of the strike provided by the *Addison Independent* — whose headlines proclaimed the College to be "In Suspension in Wake of *Bitter Protests*."

At an emergency meeting of the entire College community, President Armstrong himself seemed worried that there was "real danger" in continuing with Middlebury's "extra-ordinary session" — his preferred euphemism for the strike. But the College Council went ahead and reaffirmed the faculty's decision to suspend normal activities until Monday, May 11. Student and faculty volunteers were recruited to conduct night-time patrols designed to protect all campus facilities, particularly the Alumni and Placement Building where ROTC offices were housed.

As the date of the faculty's proposed return to classes approached, however, debate intensified over whether or not the strike should be continued longer. A compromise position was developed and approved by the College Council, the faculty, and, finally, the student body in a referendum vote on May 10. The basis for the compromise was the majority belief, as expressed in a Council statement, that "the political and the academic are not incompatible." The Council affirmed "the importance of academic activities, and we at

Recalling years when 'everything changed'

By Susan Palmer '89

Ask current students what they know or how they feel about the anti-war movement of the 1960's and the 1970's — and the incident at Kent State in May 1970 in particular — and they'll admit they know very little. Among those with whom we spoke, a few knew that four students were shot and killed at Kent State (or at least had gleaned from the Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young song "Ohio" that it was four); fewer still were aware that it was the National Guard that fired on those students; and only the exceptional student knew that the governor of Ohio had summoned the Guardsmen in the first place.

Student activists at Middlebury today tend not to recognize themselves as inheritors of a tradition of activism that escalated with the civil rights movement of the '50s and '60s and the anti-war movement of the Vietnam era. One reason: The high school history courses that most Middlebury students took only covered the period of U.S. history between white European colonialism and the Second World War.

Marjorie Lamberti, left, and Chris Watters, second from left, with other anti-war activists on Middlebury's town green, circa 1968.

The fact is that about half of the undergraduate population at Middlebury wasn't even *born* when the Kent State tragedy occurred; many students learn about Vietnam largely through fictional Hollywood accounts — *Apocalypse Now, Platoon, Full Metal Jacket, Good Morning Vietnam* and *Born on the Fourth of July*.

Nor do contemporary Middlebury students seem to identify in any real way with the campus demonstrators of 20 years ago. Their perceptions of their own relationship to domestic and global issues — and their priorities — are different. Says ACT NOW member Alex Hansen '92, "I don't think students want power or control over their government . . . Students aren't [at Middlebury] to learn how to question, but are here instead because college is part of a system that allows them to get through American life and make money. They are complacent." Another prominent college activist, Karan Capoor '90, whose primary involvement is with Armadillos, agrees that "the more affluent students tend to be more interested in making good grades, getting good jobs and having a good time," but that less affluent students aren't committed activists either, because "they are concerned with finishing school and making money — to pay off their student loans." He also believes that Middlebury's faculty "is very distinguished, but is not activist"; that although the administration, and the faculty in the classrooms, "are justified in 'sitting on the fence' on many issues, outside the classroom faculty should take more stands."

However, many members of Middlebury's faculty have vivid memories of the anti-war movement and the strike of 1970. And their recollectionsare of a time when students and faculty worked closely together to protest a government action that a majority of the young academic community opposed on moral and ethical grounds.

Nicholas Clifford, professor of history, was one of the few Asian specialists at Middlebury during the Vietnam War, so he found himself "on call" much of the time for "teach-ins," discussions and protests. He feels that those years of unrest, and the events that precipitated such widespread dissatisfaction, are "difficult to come to terms with," but he also recalls the "lively teaching" and "terrific feeling of unity" that existed on campus, especially between faculty and students.

Nick Clifford

For example, he recalls that relations between the College and the town had not been good for some time when student protesters initiated the strike at Middlebury, which resulted in a weeklong suspension of classes. Townspeople were angry, Clifford says, that what they saw as a group of privileged kids was not even going to class. One response: a community outreach program that found students and faculty teaming up to go out into the village and the surrounding towns to talk to people about the war and the rationale behind the strike.

Then, as now, Clifford says, colleges and universities were conservative institutions, "whether or not they were home to radical politics." There was a great call for internal reform, but self-examination was difficult. Among academics, there was "a massive loss of confidence about the standards they had been upholding," as they realized they were "preparing young people for business, and the American military machine." Academics everywhere became aware suddenly of a tremendous ethical responsibility: If their students flunked out of school, they might be drafted and sent immediately to Vietnam. This new life-and-death nature of academic evaluation, Clifford feels, led to the trend toward grade inflation, something that's still a source of controversy today.

Professor of philosophy Victor Nuovo describes student-faculty relations during

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the same time encourage those students engaged in non-violent political and social action. We resolve to complete the academic year . . . (but) we believe that arrangements should be made for those students who, as a matter of conscience, cannot complete their academic course work with the existing schedule."

Students who persisted in strike-related activity for the duration of the semester were thus allowed to take "incompletes" in some or all of their courses and finish the work by the end of the fall term. In addition, the Council recommended a change in the fall semester schedule that would enable students to take a week off in October — in lieu of Thanksgiving vacation — "to participate in political activities before the November election."

The subsequent return to "business as usual" in what remained of the spring semester was not uncontested. Before the end of May, a small group of students slipped into a Middlebury ROTC classroom late one night. They removed or destroyed Army equipment and left anti-war slogans painted on the walls. FBI agents were quickly on the scene, attempting to interview strike committee members and other possible suspects, including this writer. In my brief and ill-advised chat with one of J. Edgar Hoover's men, I strongly suggested that the wrongdoing of National Guard officers at Kent State and state police officers at Jackson State was a far more worthy focus of the bureau's investigative efforts. The Middlebury case was never solved, and the perpetrators of official violence elsewhere that spring also went unpunished.

Did the strike and its antecedents really represent a serious, sustained political effort? Or was it, as critics contended at the time, just one long irresponsible tantrum by affluent, self-indulgent young people largely insulated from the effects of the war by their student deferments and class position?

Strike activists at Middlebury, interviewed 20 years later, seem to have few regrets about their anti-war agitation. The "Big Chill" notwithstanding, they express pride in the political commitments of their student years and confidence that what they did had a positive impact.

Strike coordinator Bob Metzger went on to serve as an aide to several anti-war congressmen before attending law school and working, in recent years, as a lawyer for companies in the aerospace industry. To bring about any kind of change, he points out today, "there often has to be a vanguard or leading edge to catalyze the rest of the public." During the Vietnam war, there was "no doubt that young people were that catalyst . . . and they were able to inform a broader spectrum of the population and cause them to at least reflect on the issue."

Despite using tactics that sometimes offended or enraged Americans imbued with more traditional notions of patriotism, student protesters helped expand "the outer boundaries of what was considered mainstream so it eventually became more acceptable to oppose the war," Metzger believes. Over a period of years, the initial public enthusiasm for U.S. intervention in Southeast Asia diminished to the point where it was "no longer politically feasible or desirable" for the government to pursue the venture. Even on a campus far removed from the big city hotbeds of '60s activism, "we were part of a larger movement that forced the U.S. to rethink its ideas about the conduct of foreign policy by military means," Metzger says. Furthermore, argues Karla Deletis, the academic community's questioning and criticism of the war had a lasting effect. "It created a basis for being appropriately skeptical about other foreign policy initiatives since that time," she says.

For Howard Burchman, now a New York City consultant in urban planning, the strike was a "formative moment" that also laid the groundwork for several more years of Vietnam-related "political consciousness-raising" at Middlebury. A post-strike founder of the Radical Education and Action Project, or REAP, Burchman believes the events of May 1970 "gave increased legitimacy and produced greater receptivity" to REAP's 1971-74 program of left-wing speakers, films and anti-corporate organizing at the College. "Once you raised the ante by going out on strike," he says, "anything less looked like it was not enough of a gesture."

That's why, according to Burchman, more students at Middlebury were willing after Kent State to engage in acts of civil disobedience against the war. And, indeed, one year later, 26 students and one Middlebury faculty member were among the 12,000 "May Day" demonstrators rounded up in the streets of Washington, D.C., and jailed during one of the most disruptive protests of the war, which led to the largest mass arrest in U.S. history.

In 1972, REAP members took the further step of occupying and blockading ROTC facilities on campus. The occasion then was the Nixon Administration's massive bombing of North Vietnam and mining of its harbors in a desperate bid to postpone the inevitable defeat of "Vietnamization." However, when the National Student Association attempted to mount a second nation-wide campus shutdown to protest this same escalation of the air war in April 1972, the faculty and administration at Middlebury — and most other schools — declined to go along. One Middlebury dean even spoke dismissively in *The Campus* about the window breaking, cutting classes, and "carnival scene that takes place at colleges every spring."

Just two years after Kent State, the combustible elements of May 1970 were already missing. And the critical mass of campus outrage and activism that was quickly achieved then has not been seen again since. But no matter how carnival-like, emotional, or "over-baked" some manifestations of student anti-war sentiment might have been, "the cause was the right cause," insists Bob Metzger, right down to the bitter end of the war.

As the current hit film, *Born On The Fourth of July*, graphically demonstrates, next to the people of Vietnam, no one experienced that bitterness more than many of the young Americans who were sent there to fight. But, as Metzger says, "I don't think our opposition to U.S. policy took anything away from the courage and sacrifice of Vietnam veterans. To the extent that our efforts helped shorten the war, they hopefully reduced the number of wasted lives and lost opportunities among those in our generation who were obliged to serve."

Steve Early '70 was editor of The Campus, *an officer of the student government and an anti-war protester during his years at Middlebury. After graduation, he worked as the Vermont field secretary of the American Friends Service Committee. Since 1972, he has been involved in the union movement as a lawyer, journalist, labor educator and organizer. Last year, he helped coordinate a strike by 60,000 telephone workers against NYNEX Corp. He is pictured with his daughter, Alexandra, a sometimes reluctant protester, at a union-backed rally against U.S. military involvement in Central America.*

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the years of the anti-war movement as "almost ideal." Intellectually, he says, it was "a refreshing, exciting time" when most of the students viewed faculty members as their peers, "resulting in an engagement of students and faculty that made the opportunity to teach greater." He says "students were more mature persons who reveled in their rights," and were "more socially idealistic and assertive" than the students of today. Now, he says, students, for the most part, have "sunk back into adolescence" and are less challenging to teach. He added that in the '60s and '70s, student social life was also different, with the fraternities in decline and less hostility toward women.

Victor Nuovo

The mid to late '60s, he says, saw an expansion of the faculty, when younger faculty were expressive, more willing to take risks and take stands, because tenure was a somewhat less critical issue. Now, he says, there is "a real distinction" between junior and senior faculty members, creating an atmosphere in which "older faculty could be more supportive."

Marjorie Lamberti, professor of history, recalls the anti-war movement with an intensity and a sensitivity unlike almost anyone else still on campus. The teach-ins at which she was often a speaker "encompassed all segments of the community" and were well-attended meetings where "alert, morally concerned students" demonstrated their informed knowledge of the events of the day — from battlefields in Vietnam to the State Department in Washington — and generally did not live up to the negative stereotypes sometimes attached to that generation.

For example, she says, Middlebury was not "torn apart" like other campuses by anger and violence. Rather, "the students who led the anti-war movement here had a *deep* sense of responsibility, understood how to demonstrate without disrupting, and communicated their opposition in constructive, enlightened and emotionally mature ways." She also feels that students of 20 years ago displayed "higher levels of engagement and of moral earnestness," and suspects that their "more intelligent grasp of foreign-policy making" was due to their lack of reliance on television. Students back then, she says, did not value their privacy as much as they do now, and were not as "eager to compartmentalize their lives . . . they invested more emotional and psychic energy" into the issues that concerned them.

Marjorie Lamberti

Lamberti also emphasized the efforts at connecting the College with the Middlebury community, most notably through weekly silent meditation/vigils held on the town green, sponsored by local Quakers. The late Richard Coleman, then Middlebury's athletic director, and his wife Shep were, according to Lamberti, important Quaker supporters of students in the anti-war movement, people who "gave students hope when news reports made people despondent . . . and opened up their home to students who shared their moral concerns."

For her part, Shep Coleman Parker recalls that largely due to her husband's position with the College, the Quaker community was effective in helping the town and the College meet halfway, and provided a statewide network of communication and support. She, too, remembers the high level of student, faculty and town cooperation in the vigils on the green, at which crowds were responsible, non-provocative, and accountable for their own actions. The Quakers, she says, publicly announced their reasons for demonstrating, obtained permission to hold the vigils, and supplied marshals to keep things silent. The only provocation they provided, she says, might have been that "people get impatient with the fact that Quakers are orderly people."

Karl Lindholm '67, now Middlebury's dean of students, remembers the development of the anti-war movement from the perspective of a student. By 1966, he says, people at Middlebury had begun to seriously protest the war, especially since the draft, which had been perceived as easy to avoid, "started hitting home. From 1965 to 1968, once you left school, you were drafted." Lindholm originally tried to buy time after graduation by applying to the Peace Corps. Though he was accepted and scheduled to go abroad in the fall of 1967, it turned out that the Selective Service was going to draft him in July. He was counselled to join the Army Reserves, which required six months of active duty, followed by six years of reserve duty, while the minimum tour of duty in Vietnam was nine months. "It was the great irony of my life," Lindholm says with a shake of his head, "that on my way to serve in the Peace Corps I had to join the Army to get out of the war."

Although he was teaching in a secondary school in Maine while attending weekly Reserve meetings, he was still in touch with changes taking place at Middlebury, and in higher education in general. "Everything changed," he says. Dormitories went coed, the double standards for women unraveled as "women no longer bought into them," self-appointed honor societies such as Blue Key and Mortarboard faded out, and the drinking age went from 21 to 18. By 1970, fraternities were losing their popularity and sororities had died altogether, both victims of the prevailing individualism, in which social bonding was viewed as "hyper-dependence." The war, Lindholm says, "built a consensus about everything," and students were willing to go on strike over almost any issue: "Their voice was so loud, and had so many components. Students were not as pragmatic as they are now."

Karl Lindholm

Where is that consensus now? Some people suggest that Vietnam, and the draft, affected students in a more personal, immediate way than issues facing young people in academia today. Also, with a constant media barrage on such crises as environmental degradation, the AIDS epidemic, drugs, international conflict, and complicated global economic choices, students may feel overwhelmed and helpless.

Perhaps current students could use the advice and guidance of those committed activists who were students and educators 20 years ago.

At least one Middlebury activist, Christine Eldred '91, thinks so. And she laments the absence in campus life of these role models of two decades ago, saying: "If they haven't abandoned the causes, they've at least abandoned us."

STUDENT TALK

Mountain Club 101

In which a freshman gets her first taste of Middlebury life, alfresco

By Jennifer Jolliff '92

I went to college without expectations. The day I signed my life away to Middlebury is a complete void in my mind. Since that day, friends, grandparents, peers and neighbors have all been asking me, "Why Middlebury?" I actually had no strong feelings about coming to this little school in the Champlain Valley. I don't remember if it was fate, or God, or my parents. I don't remember if I made the decision myself. Growing up in central Texas, I got quite a skewed view of what went on outside my conservative environment. Search for my inner hemisphere? Try meditation and granola for breakfast? Not go home to my own bed every night at 11:30? I had never considered myself naive, unsuspecting and inexperienced — until I traveled to the "Far East." For me that was Vermont.

I woke up early my first Middlebury morning. The quiet of the yet unoccupied campus engulfed me, for I had arrived five days before most of the other freshmen to take part in a pre-orientation backpack trip. I slowly drew a modest blue line under each eye, carefully curled each set of eyelashes, and stroked on a good deal of black mascara. Blue shirt — no, pink tank top and khaki shorts. Teeth clean, hair sprayed stiff and wavy. I hadn't been as careful about my morning routine as usual, but I was, after all, going to college now, and I might need to loosen up just a bit. I stepped from my half empty cell into the long white hallway, dragging my backpack and boots behind me. My only neighbor, Judy, and I abandoned the lonely attic, and left Allen quiet, gray and still. We marched courageously across Battell field, a green and silver carpet in the dawn, and up a hill to Adirondack House for what I will always consider to be my first college class: Middlebury Mountain Club 101, Introduction to Northeastern College and Mountain Living.

The school called it the Freshman Outdoor Program. FOP was brand new when I entered in '88. The intention was to bring some incoming freshmen into close contact with each other in small group settings while romping about the Green Mountains. Yes, it was also to recruit new members for the Mountain Club. For me it was an awakening.

I walked confidently up to the mob swelling around the white, wooden house. My eyes were immediately drawn to 12 pairs of big, burly boots attached to dark, hairy legs, tie-dyed T-shirts, and long-haired grins. Genderless, they stood, or leaned, or lay about the yard, each with a wildly colored backpack. I was convinced those packs were big enough to sleep in! A skinny boy with glowing red hair called for our attention. What he lacked in size, he made up for in confidence as he reviewed the main goals for the course, and read a list of required materials. Following this main lecture, we were assigned to our leaders and broke up into smaller work groups. These 11 people would be my classmates for the next three days. Natural and glowing, our instructors were, or should have been, as I vividly recall, models for Ivory soap. I worshipped every sacred word that fell from their lips: "Don't drink the water!" "Carrots are nature's toothbrush." "Never leave any trash on the ground. If someone else does, you pick it up." "Warm wool; killer cotton." Though much of their advice has been lost along the way, I still hold on to these and a few other precious morsels.

Our course began at the head of a trail which eventually intersects the Long Trail. We were given basic instructions on hiking in groups, and shown how to read a

For a student from Texas, the Mountain Club can open up new vistas, literally.

topographical map. Then we were released to complete the first day's lab on our own. The sky was heavy and gray with clouds, and before our first mile had been covered, the rain began. Thinking back, I seem to recall identifying my classmates more by the color of their rain gear than by their faces. That first wet and tiring day made me realize just how much I had been spoiled by civilization.

I learned that day never to take even the most basic necessities of life for granted. Food, I learned, can only be eaten and enjoyed if you bear its weight up the mountain. There are no handouts, yet there is a basic strain of communism. Everyone helps carry the load, and everyone shares what they have. After hiking for 10 hours through torrents of rain and up vertical mudslides, anything tastes wonderful. The most basic food is savored as though it were caviar. Hot food is ecstasy.

I had much to learn about proper New England clothing, as well. Paying no heed to the repeated warnings of those who knew, I had invested a hard-earned $4.95 on a dark green Army-Navy surplus store poncho, with molded plastic buttons and rain pants to match. By the time I had hiked through eight miles of snaggly underbrush, they had been reduced to a ragged vest and chaps. I was a miserable wad of cotton, the Rain Dance Kid. Wool was something I had unfortunately reserved for socks, one pair to be exact.

By the time we spotted the shelter, my hair was a long, wet bird's nest, my face was streaked with black and blue make-up, and my feet were numb from the cold. A dry place to spend the night! I was jumping to conclusions again. A small group of hikers occupied a large portion of the lean-to. They didn't care to share. So we snuggled up like puppies under a big, green tarp as the rain fell all around us. Beneath the looming gray-green mountain we ate warm food, rationed out what dry clothing was available, and listened to Julia read aloud.

I'll never forget the title of her book: *Jitterbug Perfume*. I can remember her sitting crosslegged as she read to us in her high, childlike voice, serene as a little Buddha. (Later she would introduce me to Tai Chi exercises.) Her book had something to do with a man with bees on his head. He traveled through time, in fact through lifetimes, with a woman who kept appearing and disappearing. It was actually quite confusing, but what I really remember about it was the concept of eternal lives, all connected. I like that thought: All people everywhere on an everlasting quest through life after life. It has increased my concern for other people, both those I know and those I only hear about. It also gave us all an invisible bond which kept us warm through that cold night.

The following day we continued to forge our way through the stormy green Mountains. The initial shyness had worn off, and we all began to share our thoughts and histories with one another. I especially remember Todd and Ru. Todd is a "Maineiac." As we paced up the trail, he sang for me, in his intriguing nasal voice, a fisherman's folk song from Maine. He also talked about politics, a subject I had never been interested in. He went on to become the founder of ACT NOW, a campus group concerned with Central American issues. Ru was a transfer student, who had come to Midd from a large, big-city university. His comments on his old school, and comparisons of it to Middlebury, helped convince me I was better off not going to Rice University in Houston.

The journey that day was much longer than had been anticipated — following mismarked trails seems to be a standard for Mountain Club trips — but we arrived at our camp just as the sun set, and slept soundly through the night.

Like a beacon of victory, the sun shown on our final morning together. As a reward, and a much needed bath, we went swimming in a gorge which flowed by the end of the trail. I felt so good about myself and our accomplishment that I didn't even care if the whole group saw my day-glow orange undies peeking out from under my T-shirt. I had fulfilled my requirements and passed the course by the skin of my carrot-scrubbed teeth. Perhaps I had entered unprepared and fallen a couple of times along the way, but I had also made friends and challenged myself. I had opened up my mind and swallowed great gulps of this new world, feeling secure that the good would be absorbed, and the bad would pass on through. I had begun to learn.

Gone are hair spray and mascara, replaced by long johns and sensible shoes.

A year later, I found myself leading my own group of 10 wide-eyed freshmen on a 39-mile hike through the Green Mountains. My tent-sized, aqua backpack was stuffed with Patagonia rain gear, pile jackets, and enough wool socks for an army. I also carried my own book of philosophy, a small kit of theatrical make-up (just for kicks), and a pineapple pizza (camp food can be amazing if you make the effort). I could feel myself watching my freshmen, listening to their conversations, and giving what may or may not have been lasting advice on life and college. I was playing the part of teacher, of role model, of leader, but I'm sure that I learned at least as much as they did.

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ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

Alumni College

The 15th edition of Middlebury's most popular continuing education program, the late-summer Alumni College, will feature its usual broad variety of course offerings. Circle the dates on your calendar now: Wednesday, August 29, to Sunday, September 2.

Some of this year's classes are interdisciplinary in nature: D.E. Axinn Professor of English Robert Pack and physics professor Richard Wolfson will lead "Beginnings: A Poet and a Physicist Ponder Creation." Sociology professor Margaret Nelson and religion professor Katherine Sonderegger will present "Labors of Love: The Experience and Organization of Care." Other classes include "Gorbachev and Eastern Europe," with political science professor Michael Kraus considering the stories behind the recent headlines; "Singing Detectives: Investigating Choral Music," with music professor Emory Fanning; and "A Human Approach to the History of Mathematics," with math professor Claudia Henrion. The popular "Miscellany" course, which covers several different topics during the week, will include a preview of Middlebury's September symposium, "Spirit and Nature: Religion, Ethics, and the Environmental Crisis."

As always, Alumni College is held at the scenic Bread Loaf campus. If you've never taken advantage of this opportunity to exercise your mind and refresh your spirit, this would be the perfect summer to do so.

For complete registration information on Alumni College XV, just call the Alumni Office at (802) 388-3711, ext. 5183.

MIDD UPDATE

Alumni faculty in Winter Term

Middlebury's Winter Term, a unique feature of the curriculum, enables students to study a single topic in depth during the month of January. This year, as in years past, several alumni returned to campus as visiting professors of Winter Term classes, sharing their expertise with students.

"Criminal Justice in America" was taught by Dick English '69 and Dan Jacobs '79. English, a graduate of Cornell Law School and a former Addison County State's Attorney, is now in private practice in Middlebury. Jacobs, a graduate of Duke University's law school, is with the U.S. Department of Justice.

Hugh Coyle '83, the administrative director of the Bread Loaf School of English, taught a class entitled "Native American Tradition." And writer Sydney Landon '70, the assistant editor of the *New England Review/Bread Loaf Quarterly*, and an administrator for the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference, taught "Women Wanderers."

Winter Weekend

The first Winter Weekend of the '90s was a resounding success. More than 200 alumni enjoyed great skiing at the Snow Bowl, and more than 20 alums competed in the Middlebury Rotary Club's "Bowl to Bread Loaf" Winter Triathlon. (Top alumni finishers were the team of Andrew Jackson '74, Kristina Krall Cady '66 and Peter Cady '63).

But skiing wasn't the only highlight of the weekend. In conjunction with the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, which coincides with Winter Weekend each year, the African-American Alliance (formerly the Black Student Union) sponsored a minority alumni panel presentation that was enjoyed by alumni and students alike. Panel participants were Jimmy Williams '74, dean of admissions at Antioch College and a former associate director of admissions at Middlebury; Tracey Thompson-Turner '79, director of public relations at Health-Source, an H.M.O. in Manchester, N.H.; Paul Turner '79, the founder and president of TeleMark, a sales/marketing firm; Gwen Munn Eaddy '80, AIDS program manager in minority education for the Rhode Island Department of Health; Jeff Eaddy '79, a financial planner for Metropolitan Life in Providence, R.I.; and attorney Leroy Nesbitt '82, a specialist in student affairs and risk management with the office of the general counsel at Howard University, where he earned his J.D.

in 1985.

Alumni from all over North America returned to campus during Winter Weekend to honor the late Walter "Duke" Nelson '32 with a memorial service at Mead Chapel. Led by Chaplain Emeritus Charles P. Scott, the service was held in the Quaker style, and gave many of Duke's former charges a chance to share some of their wonderful experiences with their popular coach and mentor.

The board of directors of the Middlebury College Alumni Association (MCAA) met to discuss items of concern to alumni. The board gave unanimous support to the trustees' recommendation regarding the status of fraternities on campus, and nominated new MCAA directors (Marilyn Bruhn '47, continuing education; Karin Bloom Heffernan '82, class secretaries' representative; Sue McLaughlin McFadd '62, admissions liaison; and Mark Patinkin '74, Career Counseling & Placement liaison) and an alumni trustee (Albert "Chip" Elfner '66).

Alums gather in the Poconos

At the height of autumn colors in William Penn's Eastern woods, a group of 14 Pocono Mountain and nearby New Jersey alumni held a memorable get-together at the Delaware Water Gap Country Club last October. Organized single-handedly by Art Arnold II (M.A. Spanish '61), the evening was a great success for the attendees, all of whom gave it rave reviews.

Although she was one of only three undergraduate alumni there, Roberta "Bo" Libman Keppel '63 "thoroughly enjoyed talking with two current Language School students." Aurora Gonzalez (M.A. Spanish '68) wrote that the event "gave me an opportunity to meet new alumni, several old friends, and two former students. A most enjoyable gathering." And, according to Dick Dempewolff '36, "it seemed more like a gathering of old friends than of new acquaintances. The casual warmth and good stories made for lots of laughter. A really heart-warming evening."

Dempewolff and Jess Smith (M.A. German '67) have made plans for a picnic supper at Mountain View Park, below the Poconos' highest peak, Camelback Mountain. Further details and registration information are to be mailed to alumni who live in the area.

At a gathering of Philadelphia area alumni on Cape May: back row, from left, Jake '54 and Charlotte Morgan Taylor '54, Irmgard Nierhaus Stebbins '48, Dave Stebbins '44, Ruth Grotz Hoegberg '49, Sam Seeman, Ken Moore '57; middle row, Bob Rand, Nancy Thomsen Rand '52, Lois Rapp McIlwain '50, Bill McIlwain '51, Marty Johnson Moore '57, Barbara Freeman Irving '59 and Dave Irving; back row, Karl Reed '49, Juliet Carrington Reed '48, Sally Green Risberg '54, Don Risberg, Bill Huffaker and Caryl Entwistle Huf-

A Big Apple welcome

Nearly 130 young alumni gathered at New York's Surf Club last November 8, to welcome the newest group of alumni to the city, members of the Class of '89. Gail Rothman '85 organized the after-work reception, which was one of the largest New York young alumni events in recent years.

In early December, New York's annual holiday party was enjoyed by more than 200 alums from the metropolitan area. Held at the Union League Club, the festivities were also attended by many members of the College's board of trustees, who were in the city for their December meeting, as well as by President and Mrs. Robison, and other top College officials.

Chapter News

Boston: The BMAA continued to offer a wide variety of events to alumni and parents. On November 1, Jim Howell, chief economist at the Bank of Boston, tackled the question, "Will New England colleges and universities be the driving force for prosperity in the 1990s?" at a breakfast meeting. His answer — that they must be, because the region needs to make good use of its human resources — was heard by a group of 20 alumni, including chemistry professor Bob Gleason '54, who represented the alumni office at the gathering.

ALUMNI CALENDAR

June 1-3	Reunion Weekend, Middlebury
June 7-28	Alumni Tour of the Soviet Union, with professors David Macey and Ron Liebowitz
June 15-17	Alumni Football Weekend, Middlebury
August 29-September 2	Alumni College XV, Bread Loaf
September 6-8	Gordon C. Perine '49 Alumni Golf Tournament, Middlebury. For both men and women. Practice round Thursday; 18 holes Friday and Saturday. For details, call or write Gordie Perine, Middlebury College, P.O. Box 500, Middlebury, VT 05753, 802/388-3711, ext. 5195.

From the MCAA

Fin de siecle. What a compelling notion. The end of a century. For me it summons images of the end of the last century, of Vienna, the golden girls of Gustav Klimt, the mental excursions of Sigmund Freud, the bubbling champagne of Strauss' "Die Fledermaus."

But what do you do with the inescapable and infinitely larger configuration which this particular century enforces. This is not merely the end of any century. This is the end of a millennium, the end of a thousand years — count 'em, one by one, ten one hundreds, one hundred tens — this is truly the end of an era. And what should we think about it? How should we think about it? Can we think about it cogently?

Hooray for Alumni College XV, Middlebury's response to any millennium! This year it offers an opportunity to consider with Robert Pack and Rich Wolfson the creation of the cosmos, from the complementary perspectives of a poet and a physicist. Peggy Nelson and Kate Sonderegger will focus on the special role of women as providers of care. Emory Fanning invites you to explore the riches of choral literature. Claudia Henrion takes an informed look at the exciting new political realities of Eastern Europe. And Miscellany this year will make a preliminary survey of the Middlebury College Symposium on Spirit and Nature: Religion, Ethics and the Environmental Crisis, which will take place in mid-September. John Elder, Barbara Bellows and Steven Rockefeller will be among the speakers in this series.

I am delighted to have been asked to follow in Henry Prickett's lively footsteps (especially on the tennis court!) as director of the Alumni College. I look forward to seeing you in August.

— David Littlefield, Professor of English

On November 15, nearly 60 alumni and friends enjoyed a performance of the Boston Classical Orchestra. The concert was preceded by a dinner at Maison Robert.

The BMAA's annual December holiday party moved to a new location this year: the Union Club on Park Street. Guests were able to look out from the club onto the Boston Common, festively decorated with colored lights for the holiday season. About 180 alumni, family and friends enjoyed the event, which was organized by Virginia Chapman Cochran '85. President Robison attended the gathering, making his farewells in Boston. Once again, the College's history department made a strong showing, represented by John McCardell and John Spencer.

As has been its custom in recent years, the BMAA held a fund-raising raffle in conjunction with the holiday party, and presented the proceeds — to support a scholarship at the College — to President Robison. The raffle prize, a weekend for two at the Middlebury Inn, was won by Rick King '85. King, who organized the 1988 raffle, was the grand prize winner of the same raffle in 1987. That year's prize, a Middlebury captain's chair, made a perfect wedding gift for Rick and his wife, Sarah Dunlap King '85.

Midd-Connecticut: The MCtAA held its second annual holiday/welcome party on December 14. Co-sponsored with alumni organizations from Bates and Colby, the event welcomed members of the Class of '89 to the Hartford area. Organized by Kim Adams Weiss '83, the reception was notable for drawing many area alumni who had not previously attended a Middlebury event there.

Midd-Vermont: The MVtAA again held a reception at the Kirk Alumni Center between the afternoon and evening Services of Lessons and Carols, last December 10. More than 50 alumni and guests, including President and Mrs. Robison, enjoyed the festivities. A highlight of the gathering was a performance by the Mischords, the College's women's singing group. In the spirit of the holidays, attendees were asked to bring food for donation to the Addison County Community Action Group's emergency food shelf.

With the outstanding seasons being enjoyed by women's basketball and men's and women's hockey, the MVtAA organized a reception to encourage attendance at three varsity contests on January 20. Held at the new Fitness Center, alumni enjoyed the opportunity to see this latest award-winning College athletic facility.

President Robison's January 29 lecture in Burlington was postponed because of a winter storm that dumped a foot of snow on Vermont. Area alumni hoped to reschedule the event for the spring.

Philadelphia: On November 11, 20 members of the Philadelphia Alumnae Club gathered for a weekend in the quaint Victorian town of Cape May, N.J. With headquarters at The Abbey, a magnificent Victorian mansion, the group enjoyed walks on the beach, museum tours, shopping and exquisite meals. One of the weekend's highlights was a killer croquet game. Emerging triumphant were Charlotte (Morgan) and Jake Taylor, both '54. Second place finishers were Barbara Freeman Irving '59 and Bill Huffaker.

On January 25 the group enjoyed a New Year/New Decade reception at the Alumni Club. Organized by Robyn Stone '81, alums from downtown and the surrounding suburbs gathered for the delightful event. And on February 22, alums enjoyed a bowling party at the Merion Cricket Club.

Philadelphia area alumni and friends were looking forward to the March 17 Alumni Seminar. Held at Bryn Mawr College, the day-long event featured a talk on China by history professor Nicholas Clifford, and a discussion of Shakespeare with an accent on *King Lear* by Princeton professor (and Middlebury parent) Lawrence Danson, a long-time faculty member of the Bread Loaf School of English.

Rocky Mountain: An informal holiday gathering was held last December 14 at the Wazee Supper Club, noted for its fine pizza. The guest speaker at the RMMAA's annual dinner on February 22 was President Robison, who spoke on "The Changing Face of Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union."

— Compiled by Bob Peskin and Sage Russell '73

FAMILIES

MARRIAGES

Deborah Ewen and **Ward Whipple** '66 in December 1987; R.R. 1, 134 Woodcock Knoll, Cross River, NY 10518.

Miyuki Nagasawa and **Chris Somple** '75 on October 2, 1989, in Bali.

Sarah Nichols '79 and Christopher Duffy on September 2, 1989; 520 East 72nd St., #7S, New York, NY 10021.

Jenny and **Ken Peters** '79 in May 1989; 789 Deerfield Road, Highland Park, IL 60035.

Susan Peters '79 and Steven Levene on June 18, 1989; 40 Louders Lane, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130.

Peter Duncan '80 and **Sylvia Allen** '81 on September 24, 1988; 23 Elliott St., Reading, MA 01867.

Louise Burpee '80 and Randy Basinger in May 1988; 1048 Jones Road, Irmo, SC 29063.

Deborah Steele Rhymus and **Bill Couch** '80 on June 10, 1989; 21 Canton Valley Circle, Canton, NY 06019.

Marjorie Williams '80 and Fred Vandenberg (Georgetown '80) on December 4, 1988; 26 East 81st St., #8N, New York, NY 10028.

Susanne Albertsson and **C.W. Davis** '81 on September 30, 1989; Bostwick Farm, P.O. Box 393, Shelburne, VT 05482.

Joan Foster '81 and Robert Evans on July 22, 1989; 247 Meetinghouse Path, Ashland, MA 01721.

Stacey Pogust '81 and Bruce Danziger on September 10, 1989; 8793 Drumlin Hgts. Road, Baldwinsville, NY 13027.

Jennifer Salmon '81 and Paul Gregorio on October 21, 1989; 1526 N.E. Schuyler St., Portland, OR 97212.

Carol Spalding '81 and Charles Wakamo on April 8, 1989; 2005 Huntingdon Chase, Dunwoody, GA 30350.

Isabel Dulfano and **Ben Bromley**, both '82 on July 2, 1989; 7 Sachem Village, West Lebanon, NH 03784.

Carrie Markgraf '82 and Phillip Blum in May 1989; 99880 S.W. 88th St., H-126, Miami, FL 33176.

Patricia Sidd and **Hendrick Kopperl** '82 on November 11, 1989; 15A Madison St., #3, Cambridge, MA 02138.

Elizabeth Tonon '82 and Dean Coffin in July '86; Box 65-1778, FPO Seattle, WA 98765-1600.

Elizabeth Toupal and **Alan Wagman** '82 in September 1989; 14 Bear Hill Road, Sherborn, MA 10770.

CC Bitting '83 and Christopher D. Cunningham on April 22, 1989; 9 East St., Boston, MA 02111.

Alice McPherson Dibble and **David Christopher** '83 on June 24, 1989; Carriage House, 109 Hudson Terrace, North Yonkers, NY 10701.

Felice Mueller '83 and Christopher Dion Pierce on September 16, 1989; 4732 22nd Ave. N.E., Seattle, WA 98105.

Gail Williams and **John Weeks** '83 on April 22, 1989; 136 North Washington St., Norton, MA 02766.

Deborah Zelcher and **Dennis Rourke** '83 in September 1989; 14 Cambridge Terrace, #1, Cambridge, MA 02140.

Diana Hegarty '85 and **Scott Cooper** '84 in August 1989; 403 Marlborough St., #16, Boston, MA 02115.

Carole Komornik '84 and Andrew Walker on December 30, 1988; 223-D Jackson Circle, Chapel Hill, NC 27514.

Vicki Kotarski and **Pete Lane** '84 in August 1989; address unknown.

Elizabeth Merrick '84 and **Gerard Vecchio** '83 on May 13, 1989; 280 Rector Place, #9J, New York, NY 10280.

Kate Wallace '86 and **Paul Perrotta** '84 on June 17, 1989; 762 Broadway #3, Somerville, MA 02144.

Nancy Metcalfe and **Dave Tegeler**, both '85, on October 1989; 128 Cabot St., Newton, MA 02158.

Robin Russ '85 and Justin Aborn on May 20, 1989; 5 Rhinecliff St., Arlington, MA 02174.

Barbara Lilley and **Nathaniel Barber** '86 on May 20, 1989; 3750 N. Pine Grove Ave., #1E, Chicago, IL 60613.

Ashley Bourne '86 and Brad Dewey on September 24, 1989; 82 Loomis St., Burlington, VT 05401.

Lynda McLaughry and **Nathan Burt** '86 on June 24, 1989; P.O. Box 376, East Middlebury, VT 05740.

Laurie Habiby and **Jonathan Detwiler** '86 on September 1, 1989; 30 Old West Elm St., Pembroke, MA 02359.

Karen Rose and **Eric Gonon** '86 on July 22, 1989; 474 Normandy Drive, Norwood, MA 02062.

Tara Hingston '87 and **Kermit Cederholm** '82 on September 9, 1989; 10 St. James Place, West Townsend, MA 01474.

Lisa Bowen '87 and Kelly Campo on August 1, 1987; 8026-11th N.W., Seattle, WA 98117.

Shevaun Mackie '88 and **Tom Doyle** '87 on July 22, 1989; P.O. Box 334, Irvington, NY 10533.

Sue VanDyke '88 and **Frank Ostrow** '87 in August 1989; 28 Bay Bridge Drive, #G, Nashua, NH 03062.

Bridie Jennings '88 and Jean-Marc Dumont on August 18, 36-38 Ave. Mathurin-Moreau, F-75019, Paris France.

Chris Lindenberg '88 and Joe Bertolaccini on August 5; 2 Woodridge Circle, Windham, ME 04062.

Linda Preston '88 and Larry O'Neill on July 29, 1989; 8 Ralph Road, #B8, East Hartford, CT 06108.

Language Schools

Nancy J. Jacobson and **William M. Morse** (M.A. French '66) in November 1989. (They live in Westport, Conn.)

Pauline Grace Hart (M.A. Spanish '84) and Jon Scott Evans on June 16, 1989, in Bensalem, Pa.

Gloria L. Pardo (M.A. Spanish '75) and Jerry C. Fastrup on November 5, 1989, in Virginia; 801 N. Howard St., #202, Alexandria, VA 22304.

NEW ARRIVALS

A daughter, Alexia Ann, joined Annette and **William Wilson** '71 on November 22, 1989.

A daughter, Stephanie Marshall, joined **Joseph** and **Phillipa Billikopf Anderson**, both '75, on May 22, 1989.

A son, Michael Carl, joined **Deborah Shadd** '75 and Bill Grimm on December 1, 1989.

A daughter, Katherine Leeman, joined Chris and **Karen Aust Browning** '76 on August 23, 1989.

A son, Buckman Thomas, joined Dan and **Laurie Ferguson Brownell** '77 on July 9, 1989.

A son, Samuel Gilmour, joined Christopher and **Martha Brownell Grant** '77 and brother Benjamin (3) on June 17, 1989.

A daughter, Whitney Graham, joined Jim and **Honey Stehlin Hunter** '77 and sister Kirsten (11) and brother Colin (9) on October 9, 1989.

A daughter, Elizabeth Anne, joined Keith and **Michele Harvan Montgomery** '77 on April 28, 1989.

A son, Nicholas Stewart Cortright, joined **Lynn Rosik** '78 and Robert Cortright on July 10, 1989.

A son, Martin David, joined **Wolf-Dieter** '78 and **Mary Lee Krahn** '79 on May 5, 1989.

A daughter, Allison Kingsley, joined **Lewis** '80 and **Anne Bailey Burridge** '83 on October 13, 1989.

A son, Adrian Alexander, joined Joy and **Dominic Lloyd** '80 on April 2, 1989.

A son, Otis Mace, joined **Juliet Ewing** '80 and **Henry Pitney** '81 on October 28, 1989.

A daughter, Courtney Lyons, joined Michael and **Caryn Underhill Harkins** '82 on March 16, 1989.

A daughter, Hilary Lael, joined Ian and **Amy Gabriel Wallis** '83 on April 21, 1989.

A daughter, Emily, joined Kyle and **Debbie Varnum Tong** '83 in May 1989.

A son, Samuel Dorion Wyer, joined **Skipper** '83 and **Beth Dorion Wyer** '85 on September 5, 1989.

Language Schools

A son, Karl D., Jr., joined Susan and **Karl Sakas** (M.A. German '72) on September 13, 1989.

THE SCHOOLS

ENGLISH

Nancie Atwell (faculty) has plans to open a private model school next fall. Her Center for Training and Learning will be dedicated to the proposition that children learn best by doing and that teachers teach best when they develop their own curriculum. Speaking of her experiences with teaching writing, she says, "We learned that if you treat students as writers, they will act like writers. In this school we want to treat them as mathematicians, scientists, historians and artists as well." The school will also be a laboratory for the best new research on teaching, as well as a demonstration site where teachers from around the country can come to observe. ...**Ten Broeck Heussler** ('74) has been named assistant superintendent of schools in the Orleans (Vt.) Southwest Supervisory Union. Her previous position was as principal of the Black River High School in Ludlow, Vt.

FRENCH

The Penobscot School in Rockland, Maine, sponsored a workshop last fall on foreign languages in the elementary school, led by **Carol Bickford** (M.A. '79), who has taught French in grades 3-12 and English as a second language in K-7. ...**Michael Camporiale** (M.A. '72) has joined the faculty of Green Farms Academy of Westport, Conn., where he is teaching middle school music. In addition to his Middlebury degree, he holds an M.A.T. in music education from Wesleyan. ...**Thomas Commeret** (M.A. '87) has been named assistant headmaster at Austin Preparatory School in Reading, Mass. ...**Daniele Dupuis** (M.A. '73) is teaching French at Michias (Maine) Memorial High School. ...Army Lt. Col. *Thomas K. McNerney* (M.A. '82) has been appointed to serve, beginning June 1, as the U.S. Army Liaison Officer from the Command and General Staff College to the Ecole Superieure de Guerre in Paris. ...**Patricia Niemann** ('87) has joined the foreign language department of East Hampton (Conn.) High School. ...Navy Lt. Cmdr. **Richard J. Pera** ('76) was awarded a meritorious service medal for his service as political-military intelligence officer, Soviet and Warsaw Pact analyst and deputy assistant chief of staff of the commander, Sixth Fleet. He serves as French and American liaison officer for the French and American fleets in the Mediterranean.

GERMAN

The Tennessee Foreign Language Teachers Association has honored **Nancy Lauckner** (M.A. '64) with the Jacqueline Elliott Award for distinguished service to the foreign language teaching profession. She is an associate professor of German at the University of Tennessee.

ITALIAN

Salve Regina College of Newport, R.I., has welcomed **Peter Alfieri** (M.A. '81, D.M.L '86) to its faculty as an assistant professor of Spanish. ...**Mary Megliola** ('86) is the local host for National Public Radio's *Morning Edition* on WFCR in Amherst, Mass. As host she does five broadcasts every morning, reporting on regional news and weather. She credits her semester in Florence with helping her learn to be resourceful in communicating.

RUSSIAN

Mary Nicholas ('77) has joined the faculty of Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., after serving as associate director of the Center for Soviet and East European Studies at the University of Pennsylvania.

SPANISH

Sister Ann Reyes (M.A. '69) has been named pastoral associate for the Catholic Hispanic Communities in New London, Conn. Sister Ann has been an elementary and high school teacher in Puerto Rico, New Jersey and New York, as well as a religious education coordinator in New York and New Jersey parishes. ...**James Willis Robb** (M.A. '50), Professor Emeritus of Romance Languages at George Washington University and recipient of the 1978 Alfonso Reyes International Literary Prize, has been active in numerous activities related to the Centennial of Alfonso Reyes (1889-1959). In May 1989 he was guest of the State of Nuevo Leon in Monterrey, Mexico, and of the Instituto Nacional de Bellas Artes in the Mexican capital, for a two-week symposium, participating in roundtables and giving televised lectures and interviews. During the annual meetings of the AATSP in August, he directed a special symposium for the Reyes Centennial. And in October he was the guest of the Spanish Ministry of Culture for another Reyes Centennial Symposium in Madrid, Spain. ...**Rene Torres-Delgado** (M.A. '70) has been promoted to associate professor of fine arts at the University of Puerto Rico, Rio Pedras campus. ...**Anthony D. Grignano** ('70) has received an Excellence in High School Teaching award from the University of Connecticut Alumni Association. He teaches French, Spanish and Italian in West Haven, Conn., where he is also involved in an enrichment program, bringing high school students into the elementary schools for foreign language instruction.

WRITERS' CONFERENCE

Cornelius Eady ('80, '81, '86) held a poetry reading in November at the University of Alabama. He is the author of three books, *Boom, Boom, Boom, Victims of the Latest Dance Craze* and *Kartunes*. His poetry has also appeared in *Harper's, Crazy Horse, New Letters, Essence* and other magazines. ...**Terry Hummer** ('83) was one of 11 fiction and poetry writers featured at the Meacham Writers' Workshop of the University of Tennessee in November. ...In October **Ellen Bryant Voigt** (faculty) opened the Visiting Writers Series, at the University of Maine in Farmington, with a reading of her poems.

OBITUARIES

1926
VERA WENTWORTH WEBSTER (French), 87, of Bedford, N.H., on November 25, 1989. A graduate of Wheaton College, she taught French for many years in Athol, Mass.

1933
ELIZABETH GOULD (English M.A.), of Groton, Mass., on January 8, 1989.

1933
LILLIAN M. TAYLOR (English M.A.), 87, of Fitchburg, Mass., on November 4, 1989. A graduate of Smith College, she taught French at Sussex (N.J.) High School before joining the English department in her home town of Fitchburg. She taught English at Fitchburg High School for 48 years, serving as department head for 20 of those years. Active in extracurricular activities at the school, she supervised debating clubs and speaking contests, and she served as director of dramatics.

1937
CLAIRE AUGER PARADIS (French M.A.), 83, of New Bedford, Mass., on November 29, 1989. She was a graduate of Wellesley College and studied at the Sorbonne and McGill University, as well as at Middlebury. She taught at Wellesley College, the Knox School for Girls, New Bedford High School and Normandin Junior High School.

1945
GLADYS MANSIR (English), 89, of Bridgeport, Conn., on September 30, 1989. A graduate of Wellesley College, she pursued graduate studies at Columbia, Yale and Oxford Universities, in addition to Middlebury. For 35 years she was a teacher and director of the English department at Staples High School. In 1935 she organized and staged the Historical Pageant of Westport for the State Tercentenary Celebration. In 1954 she inaugurated the first advanced placement class in any secondary school in Connecticut. After her retirement in 1960 she was active in the town of Westport, establishing a historical commission and a commission to establish educational goals for the Westport public schools. She was also a leader and supporter of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, the United Nations Association, World Affairs Center and the Westport Red Cross.

1948
ALICE LEMAIRE (French), of Westport, Mass., on November 9, 1989. She received her bachelor's degree from Boston University and was a teacher in the Taunton, Mass., school system for more than 30 years, retiring in 1958. She was a life member of the Taunton Garden Club and the Appalachian Mountain Club.

1950
ALICE E. LIGO (French M.A.), of New Wilmington, Pa.

1962
JOSEPH F. HALLEE (French M.A.), of Fort Kent, Maine, on October 30, 1989.

1962
MARTHA J. CLARK (Spanish M.A.) of Richmond, Ind., on January 26, 1978.

1963
MAY K. SIMON (Russian, also Spanish in '66 and '67), of Shaker Heights, Ohio.

1967
DENISE LIMOUZE (French M.A.), of East Marion, N.Y.

1979
PETER P. BARKANIC (Chinese), of Annapolis, Md.

THE CLASSES

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Class Secretary: *Miss Ruth A. Hesselgrave, c/o Mrs. Polly U. Kahler, 2805 SW 14th St., Ocala, FL 32674.*

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Julius Kroeck (Elsa Holmstrom), 376 Central St., Acton, MA 01720.*

I was very sorry to receive news from the College of the death of two of our classmates, **Ruth Baldwin Stevens** on July 31, 1989, and **Rita L. Bole** on October 5, 1989. Their families have our deepest sympathy.

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Allen C. Clifford (Catherine Robbins), 15 Carver St., Brandon, VT 05733.*

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Frederick M. Meek (Amy Hunt), 82 Athelstane Road, Newton Center, MA 02159.*

Every member of the Class of '24 mourns the death of **Paris Fletcher**. He had hoped to be at our 65th Reunion last June, but was unable to be there. He died at his home in Worcester, Mass., in August and he will be greatly missed by family, friends and by the College which he served so wonderfully and generously. His passing makes us desire all the more to keep in touch with each other and with Middlebury. **Stanton Harris** sends us his personal remembrance: "I am saddened by the death of Paris Fletcher. He and I were classmates for 16 years, from first grade in Middlebury Grammar School all the way through high school and college, with the exception that Paris spent his senior year of high school in Phillips Andover Academy. There were four women in the same classes—**Beatrice Mills Spence, Margaret Harriman Seely, Florence Noble Klinck** and **Ruth Eddy Pratt**. **Geraldine Wimmett Burns, George Tulley** and **Russell Pratt** joined us at the high school level. (Russell married Ruth.) But I feel that I have the edge on all the others because Paris and I were also in a Sunday school class with a noted man as one of our teachers—the Honorable John Weeks, who was later to become governor of Vermont. Paris and I were also in Boy Scouts together and were playmates outside of school. Paris was a frequent visitor to the Harris farm, adjacent to the College on the Hill. Paris and I had another bit of togetherness as Fletcher and Harris were near enough in the alphabet so that we were almost always seated beside each other in classrooms. Paris was a brilliant student and therefore had time to play practical jokes on his classmates. One Stanton Harris could not always contain his amusement, which resulted in the familiar command from the teachers— 'Paris Fletcher, you may take a front seat.' Our school days together ended on graduation day in the Middlebury Congregational Church, where we received our bachelor degrees, one after the other, in the church where we went to Sunday school together. After that day in 1924, we frequently saw each other at class reunions, but three events stand out in my memory. After our 55th Reunion in 1979, we persuaded our high school and college class secretary, Geraldine Wimmett Burns, to arrange a class reunion for the Middlebury High School class of 1920 at the Middlebury Inn. There were only 10 or so class members there, but we had a good time reminiscing. In 1984, I had my son and his wife and two grandchildren as guests at our 60th college class reunion. Bob and Patty got to eat with Paris and he regaled them with stories about his visits to the farm where my brother Homer sprayed him with fresh milk right from the cow. One other special event took place when Paris and Marion were visiting Phoenix. Paris called us and invited us to have dinner with them at the Biltmore. Our wives had a chance to get acquainted, but Paris and I had a great time recalling our school days. As all Middlebury College alumni know, Paris had a very successful legal career and was one of Middlebury's most prominent alumni. But I like to remember Paris as a very special friend in our youthful school days together. I shall miss him." Stan also included some personal news: "I went to Rochester, N.Y., to visit my son and family who were preparing for the wedding of their second daughter, Diane, on October 14. I seized on this opportunity to visit Middlebury for Homecoming since I had missed the reunion in June. My nephew, Blakely Harris, who sold the Harris farm to Middlebury College in May 1965, lives in Batavia, N.Y., about 40 miles from

High notes

Boyd Brown '33 was recently elected to the Vermont Academy Hall of Fame for his athletic achievements while attending the Academy in 1928-29 and later as a student at Middlebury College.

Doris Orth Pike '44 was honored with a holiday tribute/concert on December 3, 1989, in recognition of her years of service as a volunteer teacher of English as a second language in the Patchogue-Medford High School (since 1971) and as a member of the board of trustees of Dowling College (since 1976).

Roger Chapin '54 is the founder and president of "Citizens for a Drug Free America," an action group with a practical solution to the drug crisis. The drug war bonds idea he supports has been introduced in Congress. For more information, his address appears under the Class of '54 notes.

Ken Farrar '57, working for the International Tennis Federation, is overseeing the officiating of all Grand Slam and Davis Cup events.

Paul Witteman '65, *Time* magazine bureau chief in San Francisco, doesn't know what is left to do on the natural disaster front. He has covered tornadoes (Xenia, Ohio, '74) volcanoes (Mount Saint Helens), fires (Yellowstone) and now the San Francisco earthquake. "I guess a Tsunami is next," he predicts.

Martha Saenz-Schroeder '65 was selected "Ultra Woman" by the National Association for Female Executives (NAFE). Featured in a front-page article in the March/April 1988 issue of NAFE's magazine, *Executive Female*, Martha was honored because she transcended obstacles and gave countless hours of community service on the way to her successful career as an attorney specializing in immigration law.

Neil Middleton '67 has been appointed by Gov. Michael Dukakis to the Massachusetts Designer Selection Board, the group responsible for the awarding of architectural and planning contracts for public building construction throughout the Commonwealth.

Jamien Morehouse '73 hand delivered 30 homemade pies to the Soviet factory ship *Riga* just before the ship departed Rockland Harbor, Maine. For details about this pie diplomacy, see Jamien's story in the October '89 issue of *Yankee*.

Jan Kirk Carney '76 has been appointed head of the Vermont Health Department by Vermont Gov. Madeleine Kunin.

Eleanor Tillinghast '78 has her own mail-order catalog business specializing in gourmet health foods — all low in sugar, fat, salt and cholesterol.

Elizabeth Ackerman '79 has her name under the editing credits of CBS's *Sunday Morning* with Charles Kuralt.

Ned Farquhar '80 became the associate director of the Vermont Natural Resources Council last summer. He had been serving as special assistant to the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources in Alaska for serveral years.

Peter Walker '80 and his partner in Ryder/Walker Alpine Adventures (272 Centre St., Newton, MA 02158) provide hiking vacations in the Swiss Alps and the Scottish Highlands. They claim to combine superb hiking with fine hotels and food.

Ben and Linda Feldmann Roe, both '81, are in the Soviet Union until July. Linda was assigned there as a correspondent by the *Christian Science Monitor*. Ben is on leave from NPR.

Bruce Klingner '82 was in Vienna, Austria, as a member of the U.S. delegation to the Negotiation on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe. He reports that the highlight of the trip was when he and two other U.S. delegates, representing all of NATO, faced two Soviets and two Czechs across the negotiating table and resolved differences between the two sides which led to a common agreement on artillery weapons.

Lissa McKinley Gilkeson '82, a senior resident in internal medicine at Cleveland Metro General Hospital, is going to be chief resident next year. She and husband Chip (an intern in radiology) are returning to Zambia, Africa, to continue their work on cerebral malaria in children at a mission hospital.

Kathy Carlson '83, who was awarded a Rotary International Endowed Scholarship, is spending a year at the National Regional Conservatory in Angiers, France. Her instrument is the harpsichord. She received a degree in organ performance from the New England Conservatory of Music in 1988.

Sarah Lewis '86 has graduated summa cum laude from Syracuse University Law School where she was valedictorian of her class. For the list of awards she won while at Syracuse, see the 1986 class notes.

Julie Lambert '86 is entertaining New Yorkers as the older sister, Rose, in the Broadway version of *Meet Me in St. Louis*, which opened in November.

Rochester. He is retired and I asked him if he would like to take me to Middlebury and he readily accepted the idea. Homecoming was a convenient time because it offered room facilities at Bread Loaf Inn. Another happy coincidence was that my 87th birthday occurred on October 7 and I had a ready-made birthday recognition at the Homecoming banquet on Saturday night with the rousing Happy Birthday song. But it was also fitting that I should visit Middlebury, the Harris farm house, and my dear wife's grave site in West Cemetery on my birthday. The residents of the farmhouse took our picture on the front steps. Nephew Blakely and I were both born in the house. The reason that I missed reunion in June was that I had become dehydrated due to over-medication, which resulted in loss of appetite and consequent loss of weight. A change of doctors, on the insistence of my children, a quick diagnosis and a hospital stay quickly corrected the problem. By mid-June I was able to travel to California for my grandson's high school graduation. In mid-July, I attended a 50th wedding celebration in Iowa and then spent five weeks at my daughter's home in Arvada, near Denver, Colo. After the wedding on October 14, which I videotaped, I went home with my younger daughter and husband for a two-week visit at their home in Annapolis, Md. By this time the hot weather had left Phoenix and now I will be content to stay home until summer starts again. I hope this will allow me enough time to finish my Harris Family History. One disappointment in missing the June reunion was that I missed seeing and visiting with another lifelong friend and classmate, **Ruth Eddy Pratt**. Her husband-to-be in high school and college, **Russell Pratt**, was my closest buddy. I have been able to keep in close contact with Ruth because she continued to live near Binghamton, N.Y., for many years after Russell's death. My only living brother is still in Binghamton." ...**Jessie Bennett Veit** writes from Florida: "It was a happy reunion in June. I was back in St. Petersburg two weeks when it was 'Off to Hawaii.' Sixteen of us residents of Sunny Shores departed on a 10-day tour escorted by our administrator and his wife. After the long plane ride and some jet lag, there were two days in Honolulu at a fine hotel overlooking the mountain ranges and Pacific Ocean. Sightseeing trips were in order around Honolulu and surrounding areas of the Island of Oahu. We were impressed with the fine climate, freshness and beauty of the area. On Saturday we embarked on the *S.S. Constitution* for a week's cruise of other islands of the Hawaiian chain. It was a fine ship with good service, excellent food, plus many instructive and fun activities on board. The ports of call provided us with fine excursions on Maui, Hawaii and Kaui.... Back to Honolulu for a final day before the plane trip home to Florida. We all voted our 50th state a true paradise. Aloha. I'm still bubbling with enthusiasm.... How nice it was to return to Midd and renew friendships, to see the old places and get acquainted with the new. Such nice visits with relatives and friends back in Vermont. I always love returning there." ...A letter from **Clarence Botsford** contained a perfect scarlet leaf from a Vermont maple tree—too bad it can't be shared with all of you who live remote from the gorgeous fall foliage, but who surely remember the beauty of it. He writes, "I live an extremely quiet life with my son, Bill, and his wife, Judy, who took me in about six years ago when I retired and moved up here to Jackson, N.H., from 50 years of living in Wellesley, Mass., and 59 years of working in Boston. In the last two years their three daughters have all married, but they had all lived away from home before that—hence there was room for me! Last March I fell from a chair, don't know how nor why, and broke my left hip. Now after about six months I have made a good recovery. Made a visit to the doctor last week and he doesn't want to see me for six months. I was sorry to read in the *Middlebury Magazine* of the deaths of **Allan Hunter** and **Cecil Simmons**. My daughter, Barbara, has three grandchildren (my greats!), the children of her oldest son, William B. Rydell; all the Rydells had lived in Las Vegas for 20 odd years. Barbara, her son William and his wife, Karen, and two of their children all came to Jackson last May to attend the wedding of Darlene A. Botsford to John Vincent Horan, Jr. Sorry we don't make any news up here in N.H." To which your secretary replies that this is the kind of news we *want* from classmates—news of each other. ...**Sadie Posner** is handicapped by a fractured hip. She writes, "My family is small, a niece and a nephew who see me now and then. My brother, Edward '28, was manager of the varsity basketball team at Middlebury. He had Alzheimer's disease." She sends best remembrances to all. ...**Peg Brown Houston** and husband Brad will not be spending the winter in Florida as has been their custom, but will remain at home in Connecticut. They hoped to spend Thanksgiving with a son in Worcester, Mass. ...**Margaret Harriman Seely** is living with her daughter and son-in-law in Norwich, Conn., since the death of her husband, George, in 1985. She visits her son in Florida at least once a year. She expected to leave for Florida after Christmas, escaping New England's cold. She often sees her daughter's six daughters and one son, as they all live in the vicinity. With two weddings and numerous birthdays last year, "Harry" has had celebrations to keep her busy, along with frequent trips to adjacent malls with her granddaughters. She says, "I love to *go* so never refuse the chance when they ask me. I think the thing which interests me most is to read. I swap books with a friend who also enjoys it so I always have them handy to keep me busy. I think of all my friends, both those who lived in the town of Middlebury, where I was brought up since I was two years old, and my friends of college days. We lived in Venezuela 20 years after I was married. Sorry I haven't any more news or anything *interesting* to my classmates, but if any are around here I would enjoy seeing them."

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Donald D. Fredrickson (Dorothy Johnson) 199 Central Avenue, Madison, NJ 07940, and Donald R. Banks, Rudd Pond Road, Millerton, NY 12546.*

When you read this column it will be the year 1990, 65 years after that emotional post-commencement farewell in front of Mead Chapel in 1925. Many a tear was shed as we circled in opposite directions, the women one way, the men the other. A handclasp to each, a hug to many—a memorable moment. Since then we have met many times at class reunions, at first in large numbers. Our 25th was a "WOW" with class members supplying jazz music for dancing in the Old Addison House (now Middlebury Inn). As we recall, it was **Ebbie Gollnick** and **Norm Polhemus** sharing the piano, Norm also playing saxophone, **Ernie Adams** on the banjo and **Stoney Hollquist** on the drums—a real hot group. Our 50th was another milestone with a great turnout, though our numbers had dwindled. Now, we approach our 65th, with fewer members—but the old Midd spirit still prevails. Come by air, train, bus, your own car or even a wheel chair, but do come. ...On a more serious note, we are saddened to report the death of another classmate, **Ernest (Ernie) Adams** on October 10, 1989. Ernie experienced a bad fall when preparing a trip with **Evelyn (Plumley)** to their daughter Emily '60 at the Adams country home in North Hero, Vt. The fall, though painful, did not appear critical, but Ernie was hospitalized as a precaution. Pneumonia developed and he unexpectedly succumbed, a great shock to Evelyn and Emily, as well as to their many friends and classmates. Our heartfelt sympathy to all. During his undergraduate days at Midd, Ernie was a very popular young man providing much pleasure to many—with his banjo, as a member of the college orchestra and of other musical groups. He was a loyal and dedicated alumnus who, with Evelyn, established the Paul D. Moody Fund many years ago. Ernie was a devoted husband and father and will be sorely missed by his family and friends. His obituary appears elsewhere in this issue. ...We are pleased that **Ward L. Oliver**, M.D., returned to Midd for Homecoming '89. After an active day he attended the reception at Kirk Alumni Center which, from past experience, was overflowing with gaiety. Welcome back, Ward. We hope you will make Homecoming more often. We have missed you and hope that you are planning to attend our 65th Reunion. See you next June. ...Whoever composed the old Thanksgiving song, "Over the river and through the woods, to grandmother's house we go," must have had **Dot Johnson Fredrickson** in mind. From as far away as California, Georgia and Maine, a total of 26 family members arrived in Madison for Thanksgiving festivities. How rewarding and what a tribute to you, Dot. Take a well-deserved bow. ...At this writing, **Don Banks** reports that his wife, Dot, is hospitalized in the Sharon, Conn., hospital. She has had many falls during the last few years, one resulting in a broken hip, but she is determined to keep going. A severe case of bronchitis, plus weakness in general, prompted the move to hospital. Don hopes that the care she is getting will restore her strength so she can return home. ...**Kay Stockwell Geehr** wrote a note to Dot Fredrickson: "Thank you for calling me. It was great to hear your voice again. Since Ernie (Adams) died I have been writing a few notes for Evelyn. Unfortunately, I could not go down to Wellesley to be with her because of illness. I wrote to you and to **Dot Tillapaugh Headley** a few days ago, so I will make this brief. The few items that may be of interest to our classmates are as follows: **Hazelle Dickson Downing** lives in East Holden, Maine, a short distance from Bangor. She is enjoying hearing from old Middlebury friends. It is good to know that **Helen Newton Ehlert** is back in Vermont again and living with her sister, Louise Adams, in Rutland. Welcome back to Vermont, Helen. The death of **Ernie Adams** has come as a great shock to all of us. Reunions without him will never be the same, yet he would want as many of us as are physically able to be there for our 65th. **Janette Woolsey**'s death in York, Pa., has left a great void in literary circles in that city. She always loved Middlebury." Thanks for the update, Kay. Such notes are most welcome and of interest to our classmates. We hope that others will follow with similar reports.

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Class Secretaries: *Elizabeth Goodale Murray, R.R. 1, Box 396, Perkinsville, VT 05151, and Lindley W. Robinson, 33 Christian Ave., Concord, NH 03301..*

Welcome to **Lindley W. Robinson**, co-secretary of the Class of '26. He brings news from **Roger Scott** who still lives at the Old Soldiers Home in Holyoke, Mass. His family consists of his wife, two sons, two daughters and three grandchildren. The older son, a graduate of the school of agriculture at the

University of Massachusetts, is an engineer in a paper mill and operates Roger's farm. The younger son operates a warehouse in Phoenix, Ariz. One daughter is a nun in the Episcopal Church in Boston. The other is a nurse in Cooley Dickinson Hospital in Northampton. ...**Dana S. Hawthorne** has retired as senior partner of the law firm of Hawthorne Ackerly & Dorrance. He lives at 6501 17th Ave. W., #417W, Bradenton, FL 34209. ...**Betty Goodale Murray**, aided by Edith Fischer Hunter (Wellesley '41), gave a program entitled "A Lot of Water Over the Dam," consisting of slides she and her late husband, C.A. Murray, had taken of the building of the North Springfield Flood Control Dam and of the houses which were moved or destroyed during its construction. Following the program, Sue Carr Pauli '47 introduced herself as living on a hill in Betty's home town of Weathersfield, where she has a great view of Mount Ascutney. Sadly she is now a widow, but her three daughters and three grandchildren, who live elsewhere, love Vermont and visit as often as possible. Sue has retired as director of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program in Grafton County, N.H. ..."Rick" and Erma Wright Ricard '37 of Carsonville, Mich., were visiting in Massachusetts and drove to Weathersfield to pick up Betty on their way to attend the Leadership Conference at Bread Loaf Inn in Ripton in September 1989. While there they attended the concert presented by the Trinity College Choir from Cambridge University, England, when they sang in beautiful Mead Chapel. ...The *Rutland Herald* for November 27, 1989, featured a photograph of a smiling Olin Robison and told of the many changes which have taken place since he became president of Middlebury College. According to the article, "Middlebury College's endowment has grown from $39 million to more than $230 million during the 15 years that Olin Robison has been president." He has announced he will resign this summer. In one national survey this year, Middlebury ranked 18th among the hardest colleges to enter. ...You can make our work as secretaries much more enjoyable and interesting for everyone by sending us news about where you live, what your hobbies are, where you travel, where your children are, and what other Middlebury people you see.

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Class Secretary: *Howard Cutler, 3 Indian Chase Drive, Greenwich, CT 06830.*

Charles Adams writes that there is a new footbridge across the Otter at Middlebury, permitting people to come close and see much. It connects the area of the old stone mill in Frog Hollow with the old Marbleworks buildings which are being developed into shops and restaurants. ...Dr. **Elizabeth Adams** recently moved to 55 High St., Dalton, MA 01226. ...**Frances Bristol Aldrich**'s new address is Mrs. Albert Aldrich, c/o Elizabeth Bristol, R.F.D., 3 Munger St., Middlebury, VT 05753. ...**Julia (Judy) Austin** expected to spend Thanksgiving in Vergennes, Vt., with her sister-in-law. Three weeks before Thanksgiving, Irwin Hoxie, her roommate's widower, came down with his daughter, Hazel Hoxie Greaves '54 to see Judy and they had a "grand visit." Judy had also talked by telephone with **"Gunny" Elfstrom Carlson**. Gunny told Judy that her call had "made" her Thanksgiving. Gunny was then expecting to have eye surgery in about a month and was hoping to have good vision restored. She told Judy that she would love to hear from classmates, even though she has been unable to write letters. ...**Scott A. Babcock** writes, "Many are cold, but few are frozen. To Florida after New Year's. Both Helen and I are well and happy, and watching three grandsons in this new and technical world!" ...**Eleanor Jackson Brenton** and husband Max keep as active as possible, swimming, walking and participating in dinners and various other programs in their condo. They spent a month in Massachusetts last summer. ...**Gunhild Elfstrom Carlson** has a new address: Mrs. Eric B. Carlson, Woodland Towers, #316, 113 Chipola Ave. W., Deland, FL 32720. For her news, see Julia Austin above. ...Rebecca and I (**Howard Cutler**) are in good health, though, I'll confess, grandchildren-sitting is at times wearing to a degree. Beck goes to New York a good deal to attend Philharmonic concerts and opera at the Met. Sometimes I accompany her there. When I go, I sleep through much of the opera, the seats being so comfortable. However, once in a while Beck pinches me to wake me up. We are already planning our usual southern stay, come mid-January. ...**Eva Menotti Fitzgerald** writes that she has no "news," but she wants to say hello to her classmates. She, however, expressed an opinion: "The *Middlebury Magazine* distresses me so! The only nice part is reading the 1927 account of our members and those of our friends we knew in classes of our era. I wish they would *not* destroy the lovely lines of the McCullough Gymnasium on the exterior just because changes are to be made inside. The beautiful Middlebury campus seems to be changing." ...**Lucile ("Sis") Norton Grimes** has had modern cataract surgery performed on both eyes. That still limits her driving to the Meriden (Conn.) area. "However," she writes, "thanks to TV I have traveled to all parts of the world." Viewing highlights for her have been the Winter Olympics and the French Open tennis tournament where "Michael Chang's mental masterpiece, when suffering from cramps, enabled him to beat Lendl and then go on to become the youngest male to win a grand-slam trophy." ...**Edna Graham Hinds** wrote last November: "Busy fall here. We enjoy the Binghamton (N.Y.) Symphony, B.C. Pops, our local opera group which just presented *Madame Butterfly*, the Mary Land Market with foods of other countries, musical dancing programs put on by our residents who come from foreign places. Always a pleasure to attend A.A.U.W. meetings. I am hospitality chairman for the local Retired Teachers! Think I have said enough!" ...**Margaret Sedgwick Mertens**, as she wrote, was waiting for her son, Rob, to pick her up en route to his vacation home in Charlestown, W.Va., for Thanksgiving. At that moment she was also in the midst of a great wind storm which had left her without lights for four hours the night before, making her nervous. She concluded, "I'm walking slowly these days, but each day is a bonus they say. Also 'tis said 'getting old isn't for sissies'." ...**F. Wallace Patch** had "nothing further to report at this time. My wife, Fran (Baldwin) '28, and I still seem to be getting along fairly well as nursing home survivors." ...**Katie Roberts** was saddened to read in the Autumn issue of *Middlebury Magazine* of the deaths of three more of our class members. Last September she and her sister went on another senior citizen bus tour to Wildwood, N.J. Included was a visit to Atlantic City where Katie enjoyed her first visit to one of the casinos. Weather permitting they hoped to spend Thanksgiving at her niece's home in Burlington, Vt. Christmas plans were for a holiday with her brother's family in Bethesda, Md., including going to a play at Kennedy Center. Katie's news notes concluded with "best regards to all classmates." ...**Rhoda B. Southall** wrote last November that it was then 29 years since she and Elaine Mansell bought the site of their present home, which the local people called "the worthless rockledge property"—31 acres for $3,005. Since then they have had a pond dug, which deer love as well as geese flights north and south. Their most recent vegetable garden was a "total disaster"—woodchucks ate all the plants. Last spring Rhoda and Elaine had to bid farewell to their French mini-poodle, and 10 days later adopted "Misty," a terrier-mix. So mixed that no one has been able to figure out what the mix is. Rhoda has returned to crewel classes on Mondays, distressed to discover she had forgotten many crewel stitches during the three years she had been doing needlepoint. Last October Rhoda returned to her "roots" in Bennington, Vt., to attend the funeral of her mother's first cousin, who lived 105 years. The cousin's father was the first superintendent of the Vermont Soldiers' Home where Rhoda remembers walking with her parents many Sunday afternoons. ...**Rachel L. Spear** moved September 1 to Villa Pacifica, a new residence for "active

The first meeting of the Middlebury Alumni Association of Japan was held in a Chinese restaurant in downtown Tokyo on December 8, 1989. The first of its kind in the Far East — and possibly in the world — the association was organized by Koichi Ishiyama '69. Alumni in Japan should get in touch with the group. Those attending the first get-together, along with Koichi Ishiyama, were Kumiko Kawabuchi '69, Richard Rogers '74, Paul Tierney '76, Melissa Barrett '77, John Hake '82, Helen Kwak '84, Noriko Akiyama '85, David Wood '86, Jonathan Bigelow '88, Matt Iler '88, Takayoshi Suzuki '88, Catherine Sloane '89, Doug Johnson '88, Lawrence Seeley (Bread Loaf School of English '81, '82, '87, '88), Debbie McLaughlin '89, Chris O'Brien '89, Nicole Devito '89, Sonya Vanderra '89 and Brian Luneau '89. Association members who could not make this party included Amy Clark '81, Seung Kwak '83, Robert Gilpin '86, Hiro Kanagawa '86, Jan Gray '88, Naoshi Kira '89, Peter Olse and David Takeyama '89.

Chester Grant '26, who recently celebrated his 89th birthday, is enjoying life with wife Ethel in Irvine, Calif. Chet would love to hear from his classmates and friends at 5051 Alton Parkway, #87, Irvine, CA 92714.

seniors" (Apt. 509, 3630 Sixth Ave., San Diego, CA 92103). Her new phone number is 619-294-9365. Rachel writes that it truly lives up to its Latin name—Peaceful Villa. She had long expected her sister, Frances, to join her in retirement, but her sister died September 10 in Muir Hospital in Walnut Creek. Rachel "felt bereft, enshrouded in a thick cloud of gloom. I had become the last leaf quivering on our branch of the Spear family tree." Then a letter arrived from Bernard F. Condon '87, first recipient of the Spear Fellowship at Columbia University's School of International Relations and Public Affairs. Rachel had established this fellowship in 1985 to be awarded as merited to Middlebury alumni pursuing a master's degree in international affairs at SIPA. To Rachel the letter from Condon was "a tiny new leaf" beside her, "dancing in the wind. I listened as it whispered that life would go on after me. There would be other leaves, eager to venture forth into the wide, wide world. My heart now beats with joy." Rachel concluded by writing that she planned to celebrate the Christmas holidays with her niece, Sally Stam, and two grandnieces in New York and that she had ordered a snowstorm for her Christmas present.

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Class Secretary: *William K. Donald, 14740 Eden St., Palm Acres at Shell Point, Fort Myers, FL 33908.*

We are proud to tell you that **Storrs Lee** has been honored by election as a Fellow in the Vermont Academy of Arts and Sciences, an affiliate of the National Academy. The official citation of this honor appears elsewhere on this page. Storrs and Mary Lou made their customary Maine to Hawaii journey last fall. Summer should find them back in Pemaquid Point. ...The China experience, reported in the Winter issue, inspired **Marge Dewing** to share recollections of her 1980 and 1985 visits to that country. "In 1980 we traveled to many places by train. The trains had lace curtains at the windows and often tea was served. We were served American style breakfasts in the tourist hotels. The other meals were Chinese style. However, we could have forks instead of chopsticks if we asked for them." Marge especially remembers "the long bridge across the Yangtse River—a beautiful bridge the Russians started to build in 1960, then left for the Chinese to finish." Marge lives in the town of Franklin, Vt., in a house built by her grandfather on land bordering Lake Carmi, giving her a mile of shore. We're envious. ...Louise and **Bill Donald** paid an early autumn visit to Dorothy and **Earl Hindes** who spend the warmer parts of the year in their "Eagle's Nest" on the crest of a high hill overlooking Toot Hollow, N.C., with "Old Smokey" and the Tennessee Mountain peaks in the distance. Bill and Earl reminisced about Midd and their early days together in New York City. Earl's salary as a salesman for New York Telephone was $35 a week and Bill's, with Coopers and Lybrand, $125 a month. Earl soon struck out on his own, selling and later becoming a distributor of power equipment, such as Delta and De Walt. (Coincidentally, Bill used a Delta bandsaw to fashion the "Sail on '28" 60th Reunion ships.) Earl doesn't blast tennis balls any more, but still plays golf at his winter home, 7211 Galloway Road, Brookville, FL 34613. ...Unbelievably, **Helen Bailey** has left New Hampshire. Her new address is 112 Vernon Hall, Vernon, VT 05354. ...We are grieved to tell you that **Florence Philipsen Coombs** died on October 23, 1989, at her home in Delmar, N.Y. We extend our sympathy to her husband, Frederick, her son, Donald and his family, and to her brother, William Philipsen. Last summer, because of her illness, she and Fred had to bring to an end their 13-year volunteer service to the Red Cross Northeastern New York Blood Distribution Center, which had involved travel to hospitals and blood banks throughout the district. Happily, in September, they observed their 58th wedding anniversary with their family in the home they had built 33 years before. With her husband as secretary, Florence had been corresponding with **Bill Donald**. She shared her happy memories of Midd, appreciation of the class news and of the letters from Bill and **Jane Carrick Oviatt**. Florence was very modest about her accomplishments, but Fred tells us that she was a charter member of the Delmar Chapter of P.E.O., a national sorority dedicated to education and scholarship help. Throughout the years, Florence was the person relied upon and consulted by generations of members. We remember that Florence loved music, singing duets in college with **Mimi Sweet Coombs** while both were Minnie Haydn students. Later, Fred remembers, she attended concerts whenever and wherever possible. Fred promises to keep in touch and really appreciates all the letters he has received. ...**Lib Stoughton Westfall** and her husband also live in Delmar. We reached her by telephone just after she and Arthur had returned from a pleasant family gathering in celebration of their grandson's wedding in Cleveland, Ohio. Lib and Arthur also recently enjoyed a vacation in Hawaii. At home, Lib is involved in many church activities, including bereavement committee, arranging altar flowers and friendship committee. Although she would like to be relieved of some of these responsibilities, she characteristically says, "I'll do it as long as I can." As we spoke she was on her way to help with a church supper. She sends her best wishes to you. ...Dot and **Hank Ferry** missed Homecoming last fall, for the first time in many years. They were housesitting during most of October in northern Maine. Hank's August letter reports, "We are having a busy summer disposing of the remains from several generations. So far we have gotten through to the attic. We are asking ourselves, 'Shall we keep this?' or 'To whom shall we give this?' Right now we are having a shower stall put in the upstairs bathroom and our basement root center is to become the laundry room. Next August we expect that son Ted and his family will be moving in with us. Ted finishes his Navy career in 1990 and they want to live in Amherst. It seemed foolish for them to build, with us rattling around in this large old house." Hank has been our class agent these many years. He, **Nap Blanchette** and **Zella Cole Hibbert** before him requested from each of us an annual contribution to the Alumni Fund. Hank doesn't exhort and cajole, but leaves the decision to us. Our response percentage last year, as you noticed, was 59.7. We think the total amount was respectable in our situation. Hank won't ask, but we will. There's still time for each of us to make *some* contribution, modest as it may be, to the 1989-90 fund. Let's raise 1928's percentage. ...This spring, birthdays—of which we have all had our share—are still rolling around: **Vida Waterman Davis**, April 14; **Hester Dwinell** and **Roger Cleveland**, April 16; **Florence Lockerby**, April 24, **Louise Thompson**, April 28; **Eunice Smith Williams**, May 20; **Ruth Simmons Dinkel**, May 23; **John Hoyt**, June 1; **Afton Hilliard**, June 6; **Anna Belisle Daley**, June 10; **Marjorie Dewing**, June 23; **Jane French Douglas** and **Frances Baldwin Patch**, July 4; **Elizabeth Stoughton Westfall**, July 14; **John March**, July 22; **Betty Hoadley**, July 27. Why not greet classmate friends of long ago? Happy birthday, 'mates. Sail on! ...We close with two poems by another talented 1928 writer, **Eva Marshall Douglas**. They were first published by the Poetry Society of Vermont in the spring issue of *The Mountain Troubadour* (1988).

Silhouette

The sun rolled out
Of the shining sea
A path of gold
  Horizon
To waking shore.
A heron stood
Erect and still—
  Part of the ocean lore.

Ephemera

Miniature crystals
caught for a moment
In settings of foam
Skittered in sunlight
Across the sand
Ephemeral beauty
  Blown to land.

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Class Secretary: *Dr. Raymond J. Saulnier, 21 Claremont Ave., New York, NY 10027.*

Col. **Edwin A. Bedell** (USA Ret.), who lives in Port Republic, Md., missed our class reunion because his car was struck and could not be repaired in time to make Middlebury. Ed also reports having had a cataract operation but is fine now and sends his best to everyone. ...**Caroline Belcher Bulfinch**, who reports all is well, divides her time between Cape Cod (June through August) and North Fort Myers, Fla. ...Along with other idle boasts, **Morris T. "Johnnie" Johnson** challenges all comers to throwing buffalo chips at five paces (used to be 20). He lives in Batavia, N.Y. ...**F. Ryeburn "Freddie" Lynch** had a remarkable year! He attended the June reunion; was named senior king of the Newburyport Yankee Homecoming (a week-long festival, August 1-9) in recognition of outstanding volunteer service to the area; was elected Master of Quascacongo Grange and served as delegate to the 1989 session of the Massachusetts State Grange; was adopted by a den of Cub Scouts (ages 7-10) to tell stories (true ones?) at their meetings several times a year. Not bad for an 84-year-old, he admits. ...**Caroline Woodward O'Neill** moved to Naples, Fla., in August and reports being "very contented," as well she might be. She has a daughter and son-in-law there. ...**Katharyn E. Pierce** regrets having missed the June reunion. Unable to go to Florida this year, she was staying in Ohio to "enjoy the snow," for which we assume there was ample opportunity. ...**Fran Foley Kelly** has sold her summer place in Vermont, devoting more time to church and hospital activities and traveling. ...**Mac Williams** is still a practicing lawyer (with his son, John '61), dividing his time between Vermont and Florida. Mac's daughter, Judy '64, is also in Florida, working in the health care area. ...**R.J. "Steve" Saulnier** reports that celebrating 60 years out of college was the highlight of the year. (We had 31 from the 1929 class present, with vows from all to repeat the event in 1999). In October, he and Estelle were in Middlebury again for the fall trustees meeting and in California for a professional affair. He writes a piece every now and then for one of the financial papers, serves on the board of a real estate investment trust, is on the editorial board of the Center for the Study of the Presidency, and does a considerable amount of financial consulting. There are two children (Mark, in Summit, N.J., an officer of a New York City bank, and Alice, in Chestertown, Md., a practicing attorney) and five grandchildren (all out of college and prospering in a variety of ways in New York and Washington).

Bits & Pieces

By Faith Linsley '10

■ Dispatches

This is another in a series of articles by alumni on their travels, adventures, experiences, etc. We'd be interested to see your "Dispatches," whether from Antarctica or the local PTA. If you have a story to tell, drop us a line with a description of the article, and we'll take it from there. —*T.E.*

About five years ago, the *Wellesley Alumnae Magazine* published "My Wonder-ful Year," the story of my year (1913-14) of graduate study in the English Department of Wellesley College. In the next issue of the magazine there was a letter written by Nardi Campion, a freelance writer who contributes articles to many periodicals:

"Hooray for Faith Linsley '14, who makes age ninety-eight look wonderful!

"There is an ancient Korean adage that makes me believe Faith will make it to the year 2000: When you stop learning it's time to die."

Well, I am still learning, and occasionallly I like to write down some of what I have already learned.

Over the years I have stored away in my mind dozens of quotations from my reading. Many of them I memorized because I liked the sound or the sense, or both. Others, for no reason at all, stuck in that part of my mind which I call "A Compendium of Useless Knowledge." A few months ago it occurred to me that it might be interesting to take out some of those quotations and, from the perspective of years later, comment on them.

I don't know the source of my first quotation, but I like it very much. It has both sound and sense.

The scene is the college chapel of a famous English university. An older man is reminding a young chap that his father once attended the college he has just entered and sat in this same chapel, where:

"Your father thought the thoughts of youth,

And heard the words that, one by one,

The touch of life turned to truth."

As we grow older, we realize that the Bible verses that we learned by rote when we were children have taken on meaning; they have turned to truth.

"One by one" is a wise choice of words, for many lessons in life sink slowly into our consciousness. It is true, of course, that some lessons come suddenly, in a flash of insight, but most often, I think, they are of slow growth.

"He tottered to his ancient feet." This bit comes from one of Agatha Christie's murder mysteries. Now, I totter, and my feet are as ancient as the rest of me, which is 103. But the totterer of her story had no right to act in that manner. He was only in his seventies! From my point of view, that is the prime of life. I suspect that, later on, Agatha changed her attitude toward age, for in her 80th year she wrote her 80th book.

Wit and humor are related, of course, but they are not really synonomous. Wit is quicker, more on-the-spot. The "dry" wit of the Vermonter is much quoted in the state and outside.

In his day, Calvin Coolidge was noted for his pithy remarks. I always suspected that some of the "quotes" attributed to him were cooked up by a smart reporter, but they *sounded* like Coolidge. The only one I recall is typical. When Calvin returned from a church service which wife Grace did not attend, she asked him what the sermon was about. "Sin," was the laconic reply. His wife persisted, "But what did the minister say?" Back came the answer: "He was against it."

Much of Vermont's "dry" wit comes out in reply to questions by tourists. Here is an example I came across recently. The "Northeast Kingdom" of Vermont is sparsely populated. A tourist stopped for gas at a filling station. Struck by the loneliness of the surroundings, he said to the man filling his tank, "Don't you feel lost up here?" The man replied, "Being lost ain't so bad; being found is worse."

A foolish question gets a wise answer — in Vermont.

Faith Linsley '10 at her home in Barre, Vt.

I have no quotation for the next "bit." Barbara Pym's humor is too subtle for quotes. I enjoy especially the under played, tongue-in-cheek humor. The English writer, Barbara Pym, was very adept at this. In reading "Some Tame Gazelle," I often chuckled inwardly as I savored her way with words. A reader might say, "But nothing happens!" No, nothing happens in the usual sense. However, underneath the non-happenings, the author pokes quiet fun at human frailties and foibles. In short, Barbara Pym's humor is "delicious," to borrow a word much favored by the English.

"The future was plump with promise." I like to find ordinary words in an unusual setting. This quotation comes from "All God's Children Need Travelling Shoes," by the distinguised African-American writer, Maya Angelou. She tells about her visit to Ghana and her life there. She found that African-Americans were not welcome in Black Africa, they "buzzed moth-like on the periphery of acceptance." There's another arresting metaphor. In fact, Maya writes exceedingly vigorous

prose. How much more original is "plump with promise" than the common "bright with promise."

In one of her journals, the poet-novelist May Sarton tells about a visit she made to an old and dear friend who was a resident in a nursing home. As she came away, Miss Sarton thought about the qualitites necessary for a nurse working in such an environment. She decided that "stamina and grace of heart" were the requisites. I have been a resident in a nursing home for the past five years. And I can testify that the nurses here meet Miss Sarton's high standard. If I owned one, I'd take off my hat to them.

I do remember the source of the quotation that follows. It is in a very funny book, "Anguished English," a collection of bloopers. The one I quote is an excuse written by a mother who carelessly omitted "tardy" or "absent" after "being." Here it is: "Please excuse Jimmy for being. It was all his father's fault." Now, think a minute. If you read it as it stands, it makes sense. Doesn't it?

"When a new book comes out, read an old one." When I first read that advice, some years ago, I thought it was rather silly. But now, considering the load of filth being dumped on the public, I think it makes good sense. Anyhow, I have recently reread Willa Cather's "My Antonia," (Bohemian An-ton-i-a), published more than 40 years ago. The scene is Nebraska in the late 1800's. Many settlers lived in sod houses and life was hard. The author — a genius at description — gives a vivid picture of the icy cold of winter and the blazing suns of summer. And through it all moves the "nimble wind." But there is no dirt — except the good honest dirt of the earth.

The next "piece" is rather long, but it has always been one of my favorites. It is too complicated for me to remember the exact words, but I well remember the concept.

I was brought up among readers. My brother, 15 years older than I, started me early on the "good stuff"; for example "The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table" and "The Professor at the Breakfast Table," essays by Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes (father of the Supreme Court justice). The "piece" I remember well was what I always thought of as the Three Johns, though James was also involved. There is John as he really is, as he thinks he is, and John as other people think of him. The same is true of James. No wonder, says Dr. Holmes, that in a conversation between John and James, there should be confusion and misunderstanding. Actually, six people are engaged in a "dialogue."

Many years later, I was reading an article in a new magazine, and here were my Three Johns! No credit was given to Dr. Holmes, who, I am sure, brought them to life in 1858, the year in which "The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table" was published.

Several years ago, in a magazine article, Clare Booth Luce stessed the importance of history. I can't give her exact words, but I can give her illustration, because it impressed me very much. Mrs. Luce describes the Kittiwake bird, who, before he starts on a new flight, goes back for a short distance. Then she makes her point: How can you have any confidence in your future if you do not recognize that its foundation lies in your past?

If the government meddles much more with when our national holidays are "observed," Americans — especially the young — will have no *sense of history.*

"Such a day is well received." Source unknown. It caught my attention because it seemed a new and refreshing way of saying, "It's a nice day." Besides, it reminds me of a verse from Ecclesiastes: "The light is sweet and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun."

For pure poetry, go to the Bible, especially the King James version. It was translated at a time when the English language had both power and poetry.

"Praise from Sir Hubert is praise indeed." I do not know Sir Hubert, but I think he is a character in one of Shakespeare's historical plays. Occasionally I have found this quotation very useful. If one of my correspondents pays me a compliment, I *return* the compliment. When I answer her letter, I include this quotation, substituting her name for that of Sir Hubert. Now two people are pleased.

"A certain number of fleas is good for a dog; keeps him from broodin' on bein' a dog." Years ago Charles Wescott wrote a book titled "David Harum." Later a radio program of the same name bore little resemblance to the original — to my disappointment. I enjoyed David's homely philosophy. Maybe it was a bit "corny." Anyhow, I think I can apply the above aphorism to the human animal. Our "fleas" are the personal problems that keep us from brooding on a world that sometimes seems at the point of blowing itself up.

Once upon a time — maybe 60 or 70 years ago — the *Atlantic Monthly* carried a Contributors' Column. I enjoyed the contributions because they were personal. I have partial recall of one which I liked very much. It was about a very imaginative little boy who had an imaginary and most adventurous friend. He was known as "him." one of his most improbable adventures was when "him went out on a bee's tail . . . Then him went home to his muvver." Wouldn't that make a good text for a Mother's Day sermon?

"The President died this morning between seven and eight o'clock. That spoils all the good news we have had, for some time." The above quotation is an entry, dated April 15, 1865, in a diary kept by a 19-year-old soldier. He had just heard of the the death of President Lincoln and this entry shows his reaction. The young soldier was my father, Ransom H. Linsley, who enlisted on the day he was 18, February 6, 1864, and served during the last year of the Civil War. One of his proudest memories was the time he shook hands with Abraham Lincoln. He was in the Army hospital in Washington, D.C., when Lincoln came to visit his "boys."

By the time I found the diary, the ink had faded so much that I was unable to read it. But a loyal friend — a former student of mine — made a copy in black ink. She did it with a strong magnifying glass and an even stronger determination. Both diary and transcript are now with the Vermont Historical Society in Montpelier.

Only one word this time: "phenomenon." The anecdote which follows is dated, for the chief character is a Negro, not a Black. Naturally, I can't reproduce his language, but here is the story, in my own words. An old Negro preacher was asked the meaning of "phenomenon." He thought for a moment, then said, "You might be walking along a road and you see a tree. But that's not a phenomenon. A little farther on and maybe you see a cow out in the field. A little farther along you hear a bird singing. No phenomenon. But if you see a cow sitting in a tree singing like a bird, *that's* a phenomenon." There is a saying that a picture is worth a thousand words. Sometimes a word-picture is worth more than a dictionary definition.

"Where did you come from, Baby, dear?" / "Out of the Everywhere into the Here."
I don't know where I picked that up, probably from some children's book. But at the age and stage I was then, it seemed perfectly reasonable. As far as I knew, that was where they did come from. In my young days, a child wasn't supposed to know anything about babies until he or she was "out in the open." In fact, I really didn't know any babies. My parents were middle-aged or older. No babies. At least I wasn't told that they came in the doctor's bag, or that they were found under cabbages in the garden. A friend of mine was told that last absurd fiction. So she spent some time looking under cabbages. To her greatest disappointment, there were no babies.

The first line of the verses that follow was suggested by the first line of a real poem, "My mind to me a kingdom is." But I am not a poet. I am only a rhymester.

Night Thoughts

My mind to me a squirrel is.
It leaps from bough to bough.
I wish that I could keep it still,
But I really don't know how.

I'd like to go back to sleep.
(The nights are very long.)
But that busy little squirrel
Is often much too strong.

So I begin to juggle words,
(I always love to write.)
I turn them 'round, this way and that,
Until they sound just right.

Then, when morning comes at last,
I put them on a page.
I think I'm doing rather well
For one so young in age.

"Age is a case of mind over matter. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter." I found this quotation a few years ago, in a little advertising booklet called "Smiles." I immediately took it as my motto and have quoted it many times. Attitude is by no means the entire answer. But, if your attitude helps you to ignore the "daily assaults" — as someone called the aches and pains that accompany advancing years — it will also help you to go through the Golden Years with dignity, if not with charm.

Faith Linsley '10 lives in Barre, Vt. She celebrated her 103rd birthday in January.

...**Albert E. "Bo" Willis** was disappointed to miss the 60th Reunion. He writes from South Casco, Maine, that he was planning to be in the southland again (Sun City Center) in January. ...We regret to report the death of **Frances Spear** on September 10, 1989. Just recently, Frances shared a wonderful reminiscence from our days at Middlebury. She reported having created something of a sensation in those days when she and a selection of her friends hauled mattresses onto the roof of Hillcrest porch "to spend a springtime night in the fullness of Vermont's fresh air. Discovered there by the milkman, who reported 'coeds sleeping on the roof,' there were explanations needed (not easy to make fully adequate) for the formidable Dean Eleanor Ross." An obituary for Frances appears elsewhere in this issue. ...For the moment, I (**Steve Saulnier**) will prepare the notes for publication, and I urge everyone to get news in regularly. But two volunteers are needed to replace Fran and Mac, who have relinquished their duties as class secretaries after 60 years of faithful and much appreciated service. Lacking volunteers, I will resort to less democratic methods to enlist the needed help.

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Beecher W. Dudey (Helen Kendall), 220 Ash St., Corinth, NY 12822.*

We must all make every effort to attend our 60th Reunion June 1, 2 and 3. ...**Royal O. Knowlton**, who is "doing well," tells about being snowed in on Thanksgiving. He and his sons and their families enjoyed togetherness which was heightened by the biggest November snowstorm in Connecticut's history. Royal says he has not seen any Midd people for two years. He must make up for this at our 60th! ...**Clinton Demeritt** is, like so many of us, "leading a quiet life." ...**Dot Halliday Hefferline** is taking a course in American painting at Columbia University. She has cut down her exercise program to once a week and works only one day a week for an author. Whenever **Alice Guest Howson** goes to New York from her retirement community in Bloomfield, Conn., she and Dot get together, and occasionally Dot goes to see Guestie, who still gets around because she is still driving. Dot joined her brother, who lives in New York, and his family for Thanksgiving. She planned to visit her niece in Burlington at Christmas time. ...We hope that **Ruth Sturtevant Pierce** is in better health now. ...**Marian Cruikshank** finds life comfortable in her new residence in Worcester. She says it is easier to use the bus for twice-a-week shopping than to have to find a parking space for her car. ...**Jacqueline Clarke Freeman** is recovering from three cracked ribs. The accident happened last fall when she was helping to set up tables for a senior affair. Jacquie helps the seniors in many ways, serving on a commission for the aging. Her interest is in politics, dealing with the catastrophic illness problem and other matters. She recently participated in a discussion, attended by 400 people, about what neighbors should do for each other. Jacquie reports that she is going to "live to see the new century!" Her son has made reservations for the year 2000 for the New Year celebration with her in San Diego!!! ...Captain **John Owen**, our U.S. Navy man, seems to be in top-notch condition. His son-in-law reports that John is an ardent fisherman, and that he enjoys golf and hiking. He also makes frequent trips to Nova Scotia with his son. It looks as though John will also see the new century. San Diego will be a good place for us all to meet.

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Gray N. Taylor (Georgiana Hulett), 182 Lancaster St., Albany, NY 12210.*

Francis (Frank) Hastings has settled down after traveling to countries around the world in his post as director of international sales for the New Britain Machine Company. During his travels he became moderately fluent in four or five languages. He tells us he's everlastingly grateful for the sound liberal arts education Middlebury gave him—the best preparation he could have had for his work. Frank says he's been an annual contributor to Middlebury since graduation and is proud that six members of the Hastings family have been Midd students. The death of **Duke Nelson** upset him greatly for he and Duke were companion caddys in college and he boasts that "nobody could beat Duke and me in golf." ... **"Cal" Lilly** is enjoying full retirement now from work as claims manager for Liberty Mutual. He and his wife are happy that his three children and nine "grands" are in the East where they can visit frequently. His church sponsors a senior citizens low-income housing project for which Cal is on the board of directors. Vegetable gardening on a small plot in the Wethersfield, Conn., town garden keeps him busy in the summer. The Lillys enjoy playing whist with a group which meets regularly. ...**Gray Taylor** is now the proud (and oftimes befuddled!) owner/user of a word processor-printer. It certainly does things in a hurry, including mistakes resulting from pushing the wrong buttons. He's making great progress now with his Grandfather Nelson's 102 Civil War letters, written from September 1961 through October 1864 while he served as a cavalryman in the 9th New York State Volunteer unit. Gray is compiling and editing them, as well as writing narrative to tie them all together in book form. Don't miss next issue's exciting progress report! ...A birthday card sent to **Henry (Hank) Watts** finally caught up with him in Naperville, Ill. (15 North Laird St., zip 60540). After 15 years in the sunny south, he has returned to his old haunts in the north and was determined to survive the winter. With a son and daughter in Naperville and another daughter just outside Detroit, he says it's like being home again. He's still a cyclist at heart and is hoping to sign on one of the Vermont bicycle tours come summer. ...**Anna Pope Antoniewicz** spent the summer at her home in Springfield, Vt., and was expecting to spend the winter again at her place in Port Charlotte, Fla. ...**Emily Smith** and a friend spent a two-week holiday last fall in Washington and Oregon, hiking in the Hoh River Rain Forest and at Hurricane Ridge in Olympia National Park. They drove to Mt. St. Helens and found the fireweed blooming and small trees returning to the area. They hiked the mile-long trail beside Multonmah Falls, 620 feet high, the second highest falls in the U.S. In the Three Sisters Wilderness in Oregon they visited the area where the astronauts practiced for moon landings, a vast area covered by lava resulting from volcanic eruptions thousands of years ago. ...**Helen Vorce Thompson** has lost her sight in one eye and can see little with the other, leaving her unable to read or watch television. Her daughter and son-in-law have sold their home and now live with her. She is enjoying her young grandson. ...**Jo Walker Hoecke** and husband Bert have been very fortunate in being able to travel, with trips to China, Alaska and Switzerland in recent years. They also visit their daughter, Christine, in Falls Church, Va. She is a trade specialist for the Maritime Administration and liaison to the Import-Export Bank. ...**Alice Cady Russell** is a volunteer archivist for the historical society in North Olmstead, Ohio, updating both ancestors and descendants of early settlers of the town. Dressed in early 17th-century garb, Alice delivers a lecture-sermon on Ann Hutchinson, a woman ahead of her time in religion and in the place of women in society. A few years ago she did a similar talk on witchcraft, ending with the 1692 hanging at Salem of her ancestor, Susanna Martin. Alice hopes to drive east in '92 for the 60th Reunion of our class.

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Philip L. Carpenter (Helen Easton), 83 Quagnut Drive, Wakefield, RI 02879-4602.*

Maxine and **Art Amelung** enjoyed a 12-day cruise on the inland waterway last summer, leaving Warren, R.I., sailing down Narragansett Bay to Long Island Sound, around New York City and up the Hudson River to the Erie Canal. From there they went to Lake Ontario and down the St. Lawrence River to the Saguenay River, where they "watched the whales cavort." ...Kim Smith, director of records and research at the College's alumni office, has received a request for information about the whereabouts of **Val Bouryschkine** from someone who is writing a book about World War II. If anyone has kept in touch with him, please communicate with Kim or with us. ...**Boyd Brown** was recently elected to the Vermont Academy Hall of Fame for his athletic achievements while attending the Academy in 1928-29 and later as a student at Middlebury College. Boyd grew up in Middlebury and attended Middlebury High School before going to Vermont Academy, where he participated in many sports. At college his principal sports were track and football. He was a member of Blue Key, the honorary society which selected its members on the basis of athletic and other extracurricular activities as well as scholarship. His senior year he was captain of both the indoor and outdoor track teams. After graduation from college he worked for the WPA, running the Middlebury town skating rink and coaching the high school hockey team—for which his pay was $8 per week. In the spring of 1935 he began working at the Fellows Gear Shaper Company in Springfield, Vt., where he worked for 41 years, retiring as chief of engineering administration. ...Helen and **Rollin Campbell** report that Alumni College at Bread Loaf last fall was excellent, as always. They found the course on China very stimulating and the one on American music delightful. "We enjoyed new acquaintances and several old standbys." ...**Dot Cornwall Cheney** attended the Tri-State Alumnae luncheon at Kirk Alumni Center last August. ...**George Colclough** says he still works on antique clocks with wooden works. He and Connie continue to spend part of each summer at their place in the Thousand Islands near Clayton, N.Y. ...**Mel Glazier**, who had his second cataract operation in mid-fall, reports: "I now have both eyes back to normal again." That's great! ...**Ev Gould** was honored on October 1, 1989, by the First United Church of Christ of Warren, Ohio, with the title Pastor Emeritus, a title usually conferred after long-time service. Everett was surprised because he had not served the First U.C.C. of Warren very long and never as a full-time minister. However, he was their interim minister for about a year and a half during a crisis situation. Later, their new pastor became ill the week before Easter and, with 24 hours notice, he conducted the Maundy Thursday service with communion and the Easter service. These services would have been canceled had he not been willing to help out. On the way to Warren for the recognition service on the morning of October 1, he was

Storrs Lee '28 honored by Vermont Academy of Arts and Sciences

William Storrs Lee '28, former dean of men and a former editor of the Middlebury College Newsletter, was selected in September 1989 as a Fellow in the Vermont Academy of Arts and Sciences, an affiliate of the National Academy. A Vermont historian and author, Lee is also a Fellow of the Society of American Historians. He was unable to attend the induction ceremony in Northfield, Vt., but was introduced in absentia by one of his former Middlebury students, Peter Saxe Jennison '44, an author and the founder of the Countryman Press in Woodstock. Jennison prefaced his reading of the citation by paraphrasing the title of one of Storrs' more popular books, with the tribute, "God 'bless' our dear old dean." The official citation read in part, "William Storrs Lee, educator, dean of men, eminent historian, editor, and writer, a Connecticut Yankee, who claimed Middlebury, Vermont, as your residence for many years, we recognize your numerous talents and literary achievements by welcoming you into the company of Fellows of the Vermont Academy of Arts and Sciences." Lee was born in Hanover, Conn., and graduated from Middlebury in 1928. He attended Oxford University from 1928-1929. After teaching English at Norwich Free Academy in Norwich, Conn., he served as editor of the Middlebury College Press from 1930-1941 and as editor of the College's Alumni Newsletter. During the war years of 1941-1945, he was a commander in U.S. Naval Intelligence. He then served 10 years as dean of men at Middlebury, and was also president of the Sheldon Museum. For more than 40 years, beginning in 1936, he wrote about 20 books, including *The Green Mountains of Vermont, Father Went to College, Bread Loaf Anthology, Stage Coach North, Footpath in the Wilderness, The Yankees of Connecticut, The Strength to Move a Mountain, God Bless Our Queer Old Dean, Canal Across a Continent, The Sierra, The Great California Deserts* and *The Islands*. He also edited a "literary chronicle" series covering the states of Hawaii, Maine, California, Washington and Colorado and has been a contributor to many newspapers and magazines, and collaborated with composer Jean Berger to produce a collection of songs for a musical comedy.

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Class Secretary: *Mrs. Ruth Ells Crane, P.O. Box 589, Coe St., Winsted, CT 06098.*

involved in an accident in which his car was totalled. Fortunately he wasn't seriously hurt—a fact he credited to his use of the seat belt—so he was able to get to the ceremony, although belatedly. ...Mary Jo and **Arnie Lewis** celebrated their wedding anniversary in late August on Cape Cod, where they summered for many years while living in Wellesley, Mass. "We stayed at the same little B and B guest house, where Miss McKee, now in her 94th year, still presides and continues to drive her car to do her daily errands. The weather was perfect, swimming was great on the beautiful beach, and we could dance in the evening at the old Chatham Bars Inn, where the band plays 'oldies' that we seniors remembered from the '20s and '30s. Of course, Mary Jo had to inspect nearly every shop from Osterville to Orleans. I am still golfing occasionally and walking three miles per day at a brisk pace as prescribed by my M.D." ...**Bill McDonough** spent two weeks last summer on the beach at Garden City, S.C., which was later wiped out by Hugo. He also played in the PGA Senior Tournament for the second year at Sleepy Hollow Country Club in Scarborough, N.Y., near Tarrytown. ...**Al Painter** and some of his family stopped to say hi in late August en route to visit a grandchild at school in Bristol, R.I. It was great to see them. Al will vouch for the fact that we are easy to find—only a stone's throw from U.S. 1—so why don't others stop by, too? ...**Bill Volkmar** celebrated his birthday in August with children and grandchildren. He had had one hip operation and was experiencing difficulties with the other hip, but didn't relish the thought of another operation. We hope it won't be necessary. ...**Red Yeomans** spent the summer in New Hampshire, visiting family—including a great-granddaughter who celebrated her first birthday the same day as his birthday. He also mentioned golf, lobster, fishing and a diet! He was heading for Florida for the winter in the same location as last year. ...**Aaron Schefkind** and **Ginnie Whittier Warthin** attended Homecoming in October. Ginnie also participated in the Alumni Leadership Conference in September. ...**Dick Allen** attended the Alumni College at Pine Manor in Boston last September. ...We have a new address for **James C. Judge**, who is now living at 806 Ronda Mendoz #1, Laguna Hills, CA 92653 ...We regret to report the death of **Dot Wheaton Fallon** on June 8, 1989. An obituary appears elsewhere in this issue.

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Class Secretaries: *Avis E. Fischer, 6438 Sunset Drive, Frederick, MD 21701, and W. Wyman Smith, 325 College St., Burlington, VT 05401.*

Congratulations to **Bob Stafford** who was named Distinguished Professor of Public Affairs at Castleton State College in Vermont last September. Between his lectures in the fall he used his office in the library for research on environmental and educational issues. He is thinking of teaching a course on public affairs there during the '90-'91 academic year. He is also working jointly with Castleton to sponsor a conference on educational issues. As far as we know, Bob was the only member of our class at Homecoming '89. We hope to hear him speak one of these days. ...**Wy Smith** had plans for a stag ski weekend during the winter in Alta, Utah. He and **Avis Fischer** attended the fall secretaries' meetings at Bread Loaf, after which they finished a delightful weekend in Burlington with Grace. The Smiths then delivered Avis to Stowe to pick up a tour of New England mountains and coastline. Because the weather was uncooperative they saw more of Boston and the homes of 19th-century writers nearby than had been originally planned: "a great review of American Lit 101, transcendentalism and history." ...Joe and **Ruth Havard Okarski** were not going to Montserrat this winter because of damage done by Hugo. Instead Joe planned to join Wy for skiing, while Ruth will visit a friend from Radcliffe days in Las Cruces, N.M., where **Gertrude Knight Cleverdon** will be attending an Elderhostel program. After that Ruth and Gertrude plan to go together to Albuquerque for another Elderhostel. ...**Pat Lyon Crowley** is making a crazy quilt for her son at his request. She hopes he will appreciate "all my little jokes." She also makes up double-crostic puzzles and has written a murder novel which she will revise on her son-in-law's computer. Never let it be said that we don't keep pace with this modern world! ...**Mundy Allen Keppler** has recovered very nicely from recent surgery. She is pleased with her new home in a complex in El Cajon, Calif. (377 Shady Lane, #26; zip 92021) where several friends live. This came about when her daughter sold the family home in which Mundy had had an apartment originally built just for her. Clare Walker Earl '34, "my only active Midd connection now," spent a week with her in the fall. ...Carroll and **Virginia Easler Wilson** rented a home in Austria from which they took daily trips to "visit the quaint old towns, the mountains and passes" in nearby Liechtenstein, Switzerland and Germany: "beautiful countries—flowers still in bloom—hilly pastureland—houses scattered up the hills with their white curtains and window boxes ablaze with flowers—and cows!" Although Ginny thought language not too much of a problem, the "peanut butter in a Mickey Mouse glass (they bought) turned out to be mustard. Now we know these two words." Ginny was impressed with the amount of reading required in the English classes of their landlord's children, including the classics and modern novels. The Wilsons had hardly returned to Florida when they were off to Epcot with Arkansas friends. While in Orlando they had a visit with Henry '33 and **Louise Fleig Newman**. Like the rest of us, Ginny had a hard time calling Bud "Hank." Even the hotel operator could not be sure how she should ring Mrs. Henry Newman, until she was told that it was "the Hank Newman in the register." In January the Wilsons cruised off the coast of Baja California and in the Sea of Cortez. One of the two naturalists on board was a Middlebury graduate. ...**Les Evans**, at home in Waterbury, Conn., in the same house he has occupied for 44 years (can anyone top that record?) tells of an Investors Diversified Services convention he and Lorraine attended in Minneapolis. IDS is the company he worked with for 47-1/2 years. The Evanses now spend the winter months in Florida. ...Since the early '50s **Ken Miner**, a photo-journalist in Rutland and Woodstock, has written hundreds of columns for dailies, weeklies and some magazines. He is now doing a profile biography of a famous World War II soldier. ...**Louise Feather Waggoner** is working on **Hyatt**'s papers to decide which libraries should receive them. We wish her well—such decisions are never easy. ...**James Millar** traveled out west and attended the Mardi Gras in New Orleans. He and Barbara are active in Active Retirement Association which, among other things, sponsors lectures at the University of New Hampshire in Durham. ...Instead of going to Florida this winter, **Les Benson** stayed in Dover Plains to care for his 97-year-old mother. He is planning on Reunion in June. (You are, too, aren't you?) ...**Lee Hunt** continues to serve some churches and restore his home with, most recently, a tiled bathroom and a woodstove. ...**Joe Zawistoski** and his wife still spend their winters in Florida and summers in Vermont. ...**Tony Costaldo** and his wife, Marie, celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary on November 17, 1989. Tony's 78th birthday celebration had occurred just two days earlier. ...Now we're three months closer to our 55th Reunion than with the previous column. We're counting on all of you to get there—June 1-3.

Spring Gifts

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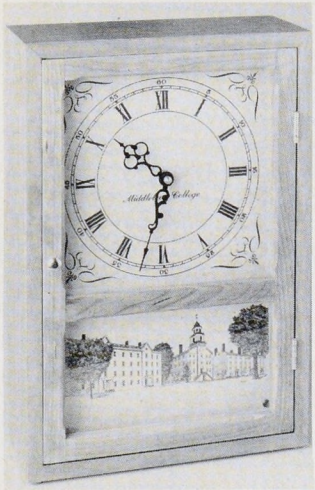
Both chairs are splendid reproductions of early New England models. Sturdily constructed of hardwood, they are finished in satin black, with natural wood arms (on Captain's only) and gold stencil design of College Seal. Price includes freight charges in the continental U.S. Allow approximately three weeks for delivery. Captain's Chair ... $199. Rocker ... $189.



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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. James Cooper (Harmony Buell), 30 Glenwood Drive, Brewster, MA 02631, and Dr. Angus M. Brooks, Beaver Meadow Village, 21 Piscataqua Road, Concord, NH 03301.*

In Hartford, **Gordon Hoyt** has, at 75, just now completely retired from the Austin Pipe Organ Company. Before, during and after his Middlebury years, music has been his great interest. Pipe organs, choirs and churches have involved Gordon for 33 years. With extra time now, he does volunteer work at St. Francis Hospital, while elsewhere he is organizing a brass quartet. A common thread, the Eastman School of Music, runs through his musical activities, having studied there years ago. He now is traveling up the road to Northampton to continue learning more of the viol, a medieval ancestor of the cello. A Smith College music professor is perfecting Gordon's considerable expertise with the "gamba," for in Italy the viol is, like the cello, held between the knees. (Gams, right?) Coming from a northern Vermont farm to Middlebury on a full (four years, $1,000 total) scholarship, he became Phi Beta Kappa. Gordon, you have certainly earned your retirement. May your brass quartet be successful and enjoyable. Hope you can be on hand for Reunion in '91—surprisingly only a year from this spring. ...**Karl Wolf** writes from Heidelberg, saying, "I am afraid of being too late with my answer but with my eye troubles, writing bothers me most. I am walking very much, over the day, and feel best in the woods by which Heidelberg is surrounded. It would be easier to give an interview when you should come through Europe one day. I still have contact by letter with **Martin, Hoxie** and Herb Ellison '37. During the last university semesters I heard history with the students and I have senior gymnastics and ball games every Friday. I like playing cards to train my brain and would like to get some tip to improve my concentration." Karl's wife, Liselotte, goes to the island of Ischia every spring and always feels better after her stay in warm air, hot springs and massages. In fall she goes to Oberstdorf in the German Alps where she can ride her bike. "My Middlebury year was one of the greatest experiences of my life and I shall never forget it. I was 20 then and now 74. I am thankful to have many possibilities to practice your language, and therefore not forget it. Well, most Americans don't bother with foreign languages. The slogan is 'The whole world is supposed to speak English!' My best regards to your family and the class members." Thank you, Karl. ...**George Daniels**, originally from Woodstock, Vt., is not well: "My health is going to pieces." He has one attribute that goes on unchanged—his refreshing, unaffected Vermont accent. "I married (1944) a Louisville girl who still puts up with me." She is well, enjoying golf and tennis. They have lived in Louisville for nearly 40 years and have three children. Son Marc is involved with the huge, completely computerized Batesville Casket Company in Indiana; son Paul is a chemist with Exxon in Louisiana; and daughter Anne is in Chicago with McDonalds for whom she travels extensively. Says George, "I enjoy reading, but no longer read about chemistry." Of late he has seen too much of their hospital, and we wish that were not so. ...A letter from Anne and **Bob Braunwarth** came as they were about to leave for their winter home in Bermuda. Meanwhile a Thanksgiving storm was piling up to 10 inches of snow from Cape Cod to points south. Their daughter, Nina, who favors the underdog, gave Bob and Anne a Yorkshire terrier, a 1-3/4-pound runt of the litter (Yorkshires usually weigh 5-8 pounds) who faces a large and difficult world. Bob voiced some thoughts about our own world problems as a debtor nation: "All welfare systems are bankrupt and only continue to exist by borrowing from Peter to pay Paul. This cannot continue without the ultimate death of the country." His letter closes with greetings to all of us and the larger Middlebury family. The Braunwarths have been in touch with the Wolfs in Germany. ...Although far from well, **Bob Brown** was given to writing long letters, thereby escaping his sick room at home. "Peg is getting my lunch. She's a triple duty girl. Chief cook, day nurse and night nurse. How lucky we are in our wives." We report with sorrow that Bob died January 13, 1990, a few weeks after we last heard from him. A letter was sent to Peg and his obituary appears elsewhere in this issue. ...A letter from **Ham Shea**'s daughter, Dorothy Shea Weinstein '70, informs us that "Ham and Dottie Shea celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 21, 1989, in Harrisonburg, Va. The Sheas' four daughters, their husbands and 12 grandchildren honored them at a dance attended by many friends. Although no Middlebury classmates were able to attend, Bob Stafford '35, Ed Roller '34 and **Angus Brooks** contributed memories to a scrapbook presented to Ham and Dottie on that happy day." ...**Howard Cady** and **Gus Brooks** attended the funeral of Coach Duke Nelson '32 in Middlebury last October at St. Stephen's Church. It was a full church and, as a class secretary, there was a sense of representing at least 31 of us men who came under his direct influence in football, hockey or baseball. His values, quick humor and understanding of our young achievements—and errors—may well have added something to the purpose and sensible perspective of our athletic programs as they appear now, after his having lived in Middlebury for over 55 years. A letter was sent to his wife, Marjorie. ...**Stan Trybulski** has been difficult to find since 1986 when many of us enjoyed seeing him. Following graduation he spent a year at Western Reserve as an assistant in the department of Romance languages. This led to many professorships and travels for the next 40 years that took him again to Eastern Europe last summer. Consequently, we only now have tracked him down. His recent letter tells of his travels, done seemingly with the ease, pleasure and concern of a multilingual man in the Europe of 1989. He has appropriate observations on these countries now so much in the news, as well as his observations on "our own problems here at home." Such a letter deserves continued space in the next issue. ...Marge and **Vic Sanborn** went west last summer for a stay in Colorado with his brother, Roger, whom he had not seen for 17 years. Roger owns thousands of acres within the shadow of Pike's Peak. The University of Colorado awarded him an honorary degree in 1989 for his work in preserving the environment. More than 200,000 boys, girls and adults have, during the past 43 years, come to "Sanborn's Western Camps" (elevation 8,500 feet) to "relax and explore the fascinating diversity of wildlife, flora and geology offered by these 30 square miles of spectacular natural wonders." Vic's letter, itself fascinating, will be continued in the next issue. ...**George Deming** writes that the fall season was a busy time for him, with a full schedule in his woodworking shop. "Having decided to slow down, I found myself busier than ever. One should be grateful for that, and I am." He and Sheila planned to be in Rhode Island for Christmas with daughter Sheila and the grandchildren. He speaks of tremendous encouragement from the changing scene in Germany with the easing of old tensions. He relates this in part to President Robison's "positive and salutary impact on the improved relations between the two nations." He and Sheila did not get to England and France this year, but will schedule them for 1990. "And I hope we can get to Vermont. We've been too long away." George and **Fran Wilkinson Russ**, as class agents, represent us effectively. They report that as of November the percentage of our class participating in annual giving to the College was again doing very well. We need to recognize your hard work once more. Thank you, George and Fran. ...Fran and husband Alfred recently moved from a retirement community in Concord to a two-bedroom apartment in a pleasant area with pine woods. With more space for their furniture, a big convenient kitchen and a broad mix of all ages, they feel well situated. Their new address is 715 Alton Woods Drive, Concord, NH 03301; 603-228-8491. ...Please note these additional changes of address: **Evelyn Poppel Gerard**, 23 Ocean View Road, Kennebunk ME 04043; **Irene Bonnett Webb**, The Pines, 400 Avinger Lane, #244, Davidson, NC 28036 (704-892-0244); **Donald** and **Carol Wheeler Easler**, 1513 Fort Duquesna Drive, Sun City Center, FL 33573 (813-634-4792). ...**Josephine Anderson Michaud** (P.O. Box 74, c/o B. Wheeler, North Montpelier, VT 05666; 802-454-8557) moved to North Montpelier for the winter to help care for a 94-year-old relative. She says it's nice to be in Vermont again. She has driven through Middlebury several times lately and thinks it's a scary place—too many cars. ...**Mary Williams Brackett**, Katie and **Angus Brooks**, Charles and **Isabel Davies Emmerich** attended Homecoming Weekend in October. As well as all the other enjoyments, Katie Brooks thought the fall foliage was superlative. ...**Bunny Baker Cobb** fell and cracked a rib on Labor Day Weekend. Nothing daunted, she was swimming in Cape Cod Bay a month later on one of those halcyon days Cape Codders enjoy in the fall. ...Life is full and enjoyable for **Isabel Kinney Frakie**. Both of her sons and four grandchildren live in the same city as she. One granddaughter is in her second year at Hope College in Holland, Mich. Her youngest grandchild will be five in May 1990. Iz plays bridge, golf and bicycles. She also enjoys her country cottage in northern Michigan. For variety, there were trips to Arizona and Florida last winter. ...**Mavis Jones Little** likes being back in town in Delmar, N.Y., although husband Frank misses his farm in Voorheesville. Louise Fulton Mapps '35 visited them for a week in the fall. One day they drove to Nat '34 and Jo (Knox) '35 Divoll's place and spent the night in their charming schoolhouse. Next day they lunched with Betty Bryan Sheldon '35 in Stockbridge. All very much fun. ...Julian and **Jean Edgerton Orr** still enjoy living in their big old house with 30 acres of land in Stetson, Maine. Jean says life is pretty much the same as she reported in the Reunion Book of 1986. It's enjoyable, they're busy, and haven't any health problems. Her big interest is in running the town library with a group of volunteers and some financial help from the state. The town provides the heat and light for the library which is located in a big room over the fire hall. Jean still maintains her strong interest in women's issues. Two of their children live in California where Jean and her husband visit for about four or five weeks in the winter. ...One of **Barbara Binkerd Monahan**'s big interests is in helping a friend with research on his dissertation about a man who started the council/manager form of government, one Richard Spencer Childs of Connecticut. The fact that Mr. Childs happened to be Binky's father's roommate during his college years adds enjoyment to the engrossing project. Barbara sees **Isabel Davies Emmerich** and **Marion Hook Nyberg** frequently and reports that Marion and Hank had a good summer and were settled in Punta Gorda, Fla., for the winter. ...When the

unheralded northeaster dumped 12 inches of snow on the eastern part of New England—including Cape Cod—over Thanksgiving, Schenectady's driveways didn't require a snow shovel, let alone a snow blower, according to **Roxie Lewis Blackmore**. Roxie's son, John, still works at GE's research and development department in Niskayuna. Roxie enjoys her volunteer work a lot. Last fall she started a small group learning to play the piano. ...One day last summer, Ken and **Dottie Rich Dollahite** had their long-awaited trip on a jet boat with about 20 people through the rapids in Hell's Canyon on the Snake River as it flows north through the borders of Oregon and Idaho. Definitely not for anyone with back problems, Dot writes, but lots of fun. The last rapids they shot through were so spectacular and exciting, the obliging guide took them through twice more. Deer were wandering over the hills and people could be seen riding horses along a narrow trail halfway up the sides of the canyon. Many of the old houses along the way were and still are inaccessible except by boat or a long hike over the mountains. A fascinating area historically, with the ghosts of Lewis and Clark and their dogged men enviously groaning at the sight of modern jet boats safely riding through the white water. Modern-day tourists soberly ponder the endurance of those early explorers. ...**Gus Brooks** was pleased to see his picture in the Winter issue, on the occasion of being named one of the College's top class secretaries. But he wants to make sure everyone knows that co-secretary Harmony Buell Cooper shared equally in the award. She wasn't in the picture only because she wasn't able to be at Homecoming.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Harry K. Hopkins (Barbara Gregory), 1021 W. Devonshire Road, Delafield, WI 53018, and Pierce G. Couperus, RR 2, Box 950, Shaker Road, New London, NH 03257.*

Elizabeth Knox Hunt writes of her happy and busy involvement with community and grandchildren. A granddaughter, who is studying medieval history at Cambridge University in England, is providing an incentive for Betty and Lee '35 to travel to England this spring. Lee is "interim rector" of a Fairfield, Conn., church, while Betty is still a part-time microfilmer at Trans-Lux Corporation in Norwalk, having retired from teaching 10 years ago. ...**Sue Hathaway Hopper** continues to have somewhat of an "open house" for relatives and dear friends who find their way back to Middlebury. A great trip to the Canadian Rockies was a high point of the last year for Sue and Ken. ...**Frank Guild** writes that, in order to keep busy since retiring from the insurance business, he has been enjoying driving a taxi and doing the bulk mail for Vermont Country. He and wife Marion are also involved with their three grandchildren. ...**Marge Fielden Kimball** gets together with her children as often as possible. Her daughter is nearby in Virginia and a son and family recently moved to Illinois. This secretary (**Barbara Gregory Hopkins**) strongly advises her that Delafield, Wis., is not that far from Illinois and a mini-reunion would be great! ...**Red** and Alice (Parsons) '34 **Harris** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last September. Their children did all the planning for the affair, which lasted a total of five days and involved several old Middlebury friends. A get-together was also planned at the home of **Mel Couperus** in late November, including Katie and Gus Brooks '36 and hopefully Mona Meacham '36, so life is far from dull for the Harris family. ...**Mel Couperus** has not enjoyed good health of late, explaining that "the old ticker has been acting up," so do send along notes and letters to boost his courage and spirits. ...**Doris Heald Kendall** recently enjoyed a trip to England where she visited a family with whom she has kept in touch since the war when they were befriended by her late husband, Harry. She also had a great trip through England and Scotland via "Brit-Rail." At home, Doris enjoys her hand-bell ringing and volunteer activities in the New Haven Hospital. ...**Walter Brooker**, we happily report, is recovering from a hip replacement. After 11 days at Porter Medical Center, he graduated to crutches and entered the stage of "patience lessons," involving daily therapy and lesson in self care. His letter describing his experience is a reminder of Walt's courage and limitless sense of humor. We all wish him well! ...**Frank Piskor** has lived through the pains and frustrations of recent knee surgery. Frank writes that Anne's encouragement, skilled therapy and supportive management have brought him excellent progress. He had already graduated from a walker, as well as hospital therapy. Plans were being made for holiday traveling to New England to spend time with their children for traditional festivities. ...Several of our classmates report hearing from **Hans Roepke** by phone from Germany or seeing him during a recent brief visit to Middlebury. Hans has expressed a desire to return and renew old Middlebury friendships again sometime soon. ...**Charles Harvi** declared his note should be called an "essay on life after 77," but his activities sound far from dull. He and wife Dodes had a recent visit with Jean and **Nat Groby** in southwest France, went skiing in Spain via Andorra, had a cruise to Maine and have had many visits with children and grandchildren. Charlie also added that his latchstring is always out for wandering classmates. ...**Erma Wright Ricard** attended the Alumni Leadership Conference at Middlebury last September. As always, she managed to include visits with as many old Middlebury friends as time permitted. ...**Mel Couperus** and **George "Dud" Phinney** participated in the Gordie Perine '49 Alumni Golf Tournament in Middlebury last September. ...**Lois Bestor Craig, Marion Perkins Hackett** and **Barbara Gregory Hopkins** attended the Homecoming festivities last October and a fine time was had by all. Although we were disappointed not to see more of our classmates present, it was enjoyable and the traditional Vermont autumn colors were as breathtaking as ever. ...I would appreciate hearing from you so that we, as a class, can keep in closer touch.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Herbert Ellison (Virginia Fischer), Wood River Village, 3200 Bensalem Blvd., #C102, Bensalem, PA 19020, and Bruce Brown, RD 2, Box 167, Hamilton, NY 13346.*

Bill Mundell was recently named Poet Laureate of the State of Vermont. The honor came after Galway Kinnell had been appointed Vermont State Poet, which aroused a certain amount of controversy in Vermont cultural circles. In a show of unity, the two poets gave a joint reading at the Brattleboro Museum in October. ...**Bruce Peach** had a long bout in the hospital as a result of blood clots and an arthritic knee. He hoped to be home by Christmas. Bruce keeps up his interest in jazz, although he no longer plays the piano and saxophone. ...Velmore B. Spamer, **Claribel Nothnagle Spamer**'s husband, passed away in September. Our thoughts are with you, Claribel. ...**Polly Overton Camp, Louise Hoyt Short** and **Jean Hoadley Dudley** get together frequently for lunch. ...Herb '37 and **Ginny Fischer Ellison** had a three-day visit to their old home town of Norwich, N.Y., last fall. ...**Don Westin** had a great trip, motoring around Germany, Austria, Switzerland, France and Holland last September. Among his observations, he noted that "the Moselle Valley has great scenery and is most peaceful.... Austria and Switzerland, where cleanliness and civility are still national characteristics.... Let's stop complaining about U.S.A. prices—we got it good." ...**Winnie Duffield Taylor** had a fast-paced trip to Moscow and Leningrad last fall, the guest of her daughter and son-in-law. Her group went over in support of the Capitals of Washington, D.C., when that hockey team played four games with U.S.S.R. teams. Winnie took in the sights of Moscow, then went by overnight train—"an experience in itself"—to Leningrad where the high point of the trip was a visit to the Hermitage Art Museum. ...**Helen Thomas Stone** has been living with her son in Jackson, Miss. His job has now taken him to Tulsa, Okla., so she will have a new address to report in the next issue. Helen made four trips to New England during 1989, but her outstanding trip last year was one to Norway where she spent 11 days on a coastal steamer. "I found the scenery beautiful, the cities and small villages *so* clean, the people friendly and everything expensive." (Our European travelers seem to have had similar experiences.) ...Among those taking part in alumni events last fall were **Bruce Brown**, who attended the Alumni Leadership Conference; **George Anderson, Allison Beebe, Betty Osborne Hadden, Winnie Duffield Taylor**, who participated in the Gordie Perine Alumni Golf Tournament; **Emily Barclay Jackson** and **Jane Abbott Barry**, who were at Homecoming. ...Hope you're having a good spring—and write when you get the time.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Skinner (Ruth Coleman), RD 2, Box 2515, Whitehall, NY 12887.*

Betty Riexinger Mettler returned to Charleston from their summer home in Kennebunkport, Maine, in October, soon after Hugo had blustered through. They were fortunate that no damage was done to their home, other than the loss of 15 huge trees. Neighbors were not so lucky. In her note Betty mentioned her great anticipation of our 50th Reunion, but she suffered a heart attack in May: "Instead of reunion, I had a quadruple bypass." She has recuperated very well from the surgery and planned to attend Homecoming but that was eliminated when she fell and broke a hip in August. What a summer! Three weeks at Maine Medical in Portland and two at Massachusetts General in Boston. We all wish you a healthier, happier year in 1990 and look forward to seeing you at our 55th. ..."**BG" Heldman deVeer** had a beautiful and educational trip to Spain and Portugal. She and Bob '41 also crossed the Straits of Gibraltar to Tangiers. "BG" keeps very busy with community affairs from art lectures to baking 300 biscuits for the Fortnightly chicken dinner. ...**Bert MacFadden** and **Borden** and **Louise Roberts Avery** attended the Alumni Donor dinner at the Hotel Pierre in New York City on November 1. ...Classmates are on the move. **Irene Fernandez Anderson** and **Bill Herrmann** both returned to their winter residences in Virginia. **Ed King** and **Len Blanchette** migrated to Florida. **Ken "Porky" Kinsey** has a new address in Florida: Fisherman's Village Yacht Basin, 1200 W. Retta Esplanade, Punta Gorda, FL 33950. **Bill Watt** has moved to 302 Crawford Circle, Moneta, VA 24121. **Mary MacFarlane Kelley**,

though still in Waukegan, Ill., has a new address: 1325 Beach Road, Waukegan, IL 60087. And **Elsie Brown Tracy** has left Middlebury. Her new address is 956 Westminster-Canterbury Drive, Winchester, VA 22601. ...**Ray Skinner** is feeling more energetic after having a pacemaker inserted in October. Ray and **Ruth Coleman Skinner** enjoyed recuperating and relaxing after a wonderful Thanksgiving with 14 of our family—children and grandchildren, ages 3 to 47—here for the holiday and weekend. Won't you send us word of your current happenings so we will have more news for the next *Magazine*?

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert T. Alden (Barbara Plumer), 51 Otterside Court, Middlebury, VT 05753, and James A. Cornwall, 43 Dogwood Lane, Northampton, MA 01060.*

Leadership Weekend was held up at the Bread Loaf campus September 15-16, 1989. It was a busy time for those attending and things are well under way for our 50th. Besides our two co-chairmen, **Bob Alden** and **Bobbie Carrick Brooker**, others attending were Secretary **Bobbie Plumer Alden** and gift committee co-chairmen **Gordon Emerson** and **Frankie Cornwall Hutner**. Those on the committee who were at Bread Loaf included **Peg Jones Emerson, Ed Reichert, Bob Anderson, Lois Whittier Batten, Priscilla Bateson Eldredge, Beverly Barton Hall, Bob Pickard, Betty Bucher, Louise Gove Hawkins** and **Betty Miller Palen**. ...The American Division Association has made a donation of $1,000 to the Chelsea Soldiers Home, in memory of Lt. **John Stabile**. Present at the ceremonies was John P. Stabile, John's nephew. John was awarded the Silver Star, the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart posthumously, for outstanding devotion to duty and for exceptional courage. He gave his life while attempting to rescue a wounded U.S. Marine in combat. He was assigned to B Company of the 182nd Infantry. ...Homecoming Weekend was held on October 6-8, 1989. It was a beautiful weekend with the foliage in the area at its peak in color. It was great to see Marge and **Jim Cornwall**. ...Late news flash: On January 22, the board of trustees of the Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium in St. Johnsbury, Vt., elected **Norman Atwood** a Fellow of the Museum. As a Fellow, he will choose the recipient of the prestigious Franklin Fairbanks Award, given in the name of the founder and donor of the Museum. We congratulate you, Norman.

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. Elaine Wadlund House, RD 1, Box 3039, Hyde Park, VT 05655, and Lester W. Ingalls, Box 583, Middlebury, VT 05753.*

At the Alumni Leadership Conference at Bread Loaf last September, your faithful scribes, **Topsy Wadlund House** and **Les Ingalls,** met with **"Westie" Burbank, Gil** and **Elizabeth Wolfington Hubbard** to discuss some ideas in preparation for our 50th Reunion next year. Later this spring and summer we will be talking with the Alumni Office staff about these impending arrangements. If you have any thoughts on the subject, please let us know. Meanwhile, here are notes to bring you up to date on some of our classmates: ...**Bob Huttemeyer** of Tequesta, Fla., a pre-med major at Middlebury, recently engaged in an exercise in philology or, more precisely, semantics. In a letter to the Jupiter (Fla.) *Courier-Journal*, he traced the meaning of the word "charette." One source said, "A charette is a holarctic genus of salmonids (trout); another savant allowed as how it is "a small piece of steak that has been cooked too long by a backyard Escoffier." Still another wordsmith said, "It has to do with a group of architects meeting together to solve a problem." Finally, Bob consulted an erudite neighbor who came up with, "A charette fits midway between a seminar and a town council meeting where a vote is taken as to what action will be taken. In a charette the participants have to come up with a plan of action when the charette is finished." Comments Bob, "My stint as a latter Diogenes ended. I had found my veritas." Congratulations! However, in French it is "a two-wheeled cart with rack sides," first cousin to a tumbrel. You could look it up! ...Among the services provided by the College's alumni staff is frequent notification of address changes for our rather peripatetic group. **Nelson Easton** is now at 2410 E. Banta Road, Indianapolis, IN 46227; **John L. Albert** is at 8363 Pennystreet Road, RD 7 Box 25, Rome, NY 13440; **Willard Littlehale** is at 11-15 Willow St., #202, Fitchburg, MA 01420; and **Donald E. Chapman** is at 14102 Glenmore Drive, West Palm Beach, FL 33409. Bud and **Gerri Lynch Palmer** moved northward to a small adult community with pool and clubhouse at 7180 S.E. Lillian Court, Stuart, FL 34997. So far, they love it. ...Last fall when the Midd-Vermont Alumni Association held a reception at the Community Boat House in Burlington, **Ray** and **Norma Winberg Unsworth** attended, as did **George Wallace, Margaret Shaub** and **Audrey Hope Wouters**. Glad to know that you're all still among us. ...It is with great regret that we note the death of **Sam Perry**. An obituary appears elsewhere in this issue.

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. John F. Bates (Nancy Rindfusz), 29 Long Reach, Salem, SC 29676.*

Unfortunately, we have only one piece of news to report. We can't report what we don't know. **Jack Young** is recovering slowly but feeling much stronger after all his surgery. ...We hope to have news from your Christmas cards to report later.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. A. Cutler Silliman (Kathryn Sempepos), 279 Chestnut St., Fredonia, NY 14063, and Dr. S. Peter Nikitas, 41 Stonehenge Road, Pittsfield, MA 01201.*

Your class secretaries propose a '54 mini-reunion at Alumni College to be held at Bread Loaf from August 29 to September 1, 1990. The idea is the brainchild of **Lois Groben Gilmore**, who was inspired by a successful get-together last year of **Polly Hickox Lecko**, the **Dumont Rushes**, and the **Jim Clarks**. This announcement will be your only notification of the mini-reunion, but the alumni office will send you registration forms and details of the five exciting and challenging course offerings (fee: $700 a couple, $375 single). Hope to see you at Bread Loaf! ...**Jim Nourse** has retired from the Paul Revere Life Insurance Company. ...Dr. **Stuart Walker** has retired from his position as professor of pediatrics and head of department, University of Maryland. Stuart (1888 Luce Creek Drive, Annapolis, MD 21401) is a prolific author of books on sailing and a world class campaigner and winner in international sailing competitions. Recently he clinched the Trans-Alps Hannibal trophy after tearing up race courses in Italy and Germany. ...**Fred Booth** (Portside C, Duck Road, Duck, NC 27949), a graduate of Springfield College in 1948, is already planning to be at our 50th Reunion. His interest in sports became his career. He was the assistant coach of football, basketball and baseball at Trinity College from 1948 to 1954. From 1954 to 1988 he was department head, coach and teacher of physical education at Columbia High School in Maplewood, N.J. Retiring in June 1988, he moved to the Outer Banks of North Carolina. ...**Bob Byington** writes: "Can you imagine—**Ann (Cole)** and I have been married for 45 years and are enjoying four grandchildren, two on the West Coast and two in Massachusetts. Retirement keeps us busy." Ann is active with church work; Bob plays a lot of golf and serves on town committees, including four years of work on an 18-hole town golf course and club house. ...**Arthur Grosvenor** (419 Andros, Venice, FL 34292) spent 31 years in sales and marketing with the Norton Company, retiring in 1981 to Venice, Fla. He and wife Ethel, an RN, have been married 43 years. Son Arthur, Jr., a chemist with Allied Chemical, resides in Chattanooga. Son Richard lives in New Jersey where he is in finance with Enserch. They have three grandchildren. "We enjoy golf, bridge, cooking, painting and annual trips around the U.S. and Europe. Ethel is active in women's clubs and volunteer work, while I am treasurer of Citizens for the Preservation of Venice." ...**Edward T. Peach** ("Ted") sends his best regards and reports that he and wife Nancy (Castleton '73) backpacked over 400 miles in California's High Sierras in September and October. "Lucked out with no big snow storms. Made it to the top of Mt. Whitney at 14,496 feet. Our little construction site clean-up business is flourishing, as our region is in a building boom. Also doing some forestry in the 70 acres of wilderness homestead we have out here in northern California with two of our sons." ...Muster Field Farm, where **Robert S. Bristol** (P.O. Box 120, Harvey Road, North Sutton, NH 03260) has lived for 49 years, continues as an operating farm with cattle, small fruits, berries, vegetables, wood and hay. It is also developing as a branch of the New Hampshire Farm Museum. Eleven buildings have been moved to the premises, each with some historic or architectural feature. The annual Muster Farm Field Day attracts exhibitors of crafts and old-time farm-related occupations, along with some 4,000 visitors. Robert has written to update us on his life—apart from Muster Field Farm—since 1943: "School teacher Proctor Academy and Andover High School. Dairy-poultry farm. Land surveyor. Happily divorced, no issue. Public office ranging from trustee of Sutton Free Library, auditor, town meeting moderator, deputy forest fire warden and 13 three-year terms as selectman of Town of Sutton." ...Of the 12 Midd '43 women contacted for this issue of our column, only four responded. Please drop us a line when we ask for news—even though your lives at the moment seem uneventful. Your classmates want to hear from you. ...Van and **Betty Attenhofer Van Valkenburg** visited Paris, Basel, Belgium and Holland last spring after Van, who is "retired," presented a paper in Amsterdam at the World Congress on Nondestructive Testing. ...**Barbara Roberts Ormsby** writes that "volunteering has been key to my life since college days," citing 23 years of service at Norwalk Hospital. Bobbie and Ed recently traveled around the world and spent three weeks last summer in Nova Scotia and on Prince Edward Island. Their two daughters live in Connecti-

cut which makes family get-togethers frequent and easy. **Anne Willis** visited the Ormsbys in October. ...**Marion Thompson Smith** and Mickey are happy in their retirement in Williamstown, Mass.: "Lots to do here in a stimulating environment." They travel with their Coleman tent trailer, mostly to visit Tommie's three children in Wisconsin and Washington state. We particularly liked her description of son Doug's habitat: "He lives in the Skagit Valley with bald eagles in his backyard." ...**Mary Barclay Howarth** has a new address: P.O. Box 92, Glen Haven, CO 80532. ...**Denise Aubuchon Ouellette** responds to our questionnaire in typical Denise style: "Work?—as little as possible. Travel?—those days are over, except for Maine and Florida. Family?—the best achievement and most rewarding. Husband Phil raises prize tomatoes. Corinne, #1 child, now 43, is in medical school. Life since Middlebury?—a gift from God." ...**Peter Nikitas** attended the Alumni Leadership Conference last September and accepted the silver bowl trophy for our class. The honor belongs to **Ginnie Clemens Lowman** for achieving 72 percent participation in Annual Giving.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Charles A. Brown (Elizabeth Broadbent), 625 Cedar Lane, Villanova, PA 19085, and David Stebbins, 5 Brennan Drive, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010.*

Dr. **George (Pete) Harris** and Barbara (Busing) '46 have been to two other reunions since our 45th at Middlebury—Pete's 40th at Rochester Medical School and another at Northfield-Mount Hermon where Pete was awarded the William Morrow trophy which goes to a non-graduate who has made a special contribution to the school. He modestly attributed this honor to his "12 years of medical care" as school physician at NMH. On their way to Rochester they stopped in Syracuse for a visit with Mary and Gene Hubbard '47. Gene is still practicing law and "seems pretty much as I remembered him," says Pete. Pete and Barbara still sing in a local choir and with a choral society. Barbara still sells used books and Pete has been taking oil painting lessons for about a year. He says that at least his grandchildren appreciate what he does. ...**Arthur** and **Leonore Jenkins Johnson** attended Homecoming last October and had a mini Class of '44 reunion with **Ted Kolzak** and **Hal Parker**. **Dot Ayers Ingalls** also came down from Burlington for the afternoon on Saturday. Stod and Ted went out for an early morning run and are recommending a 5K run at our 50th in '94. Ah, youth! ...**Earl Pangborn** couldn't make our 45th, but he definitely plans to attend the 50th, if hearty and able. His life seems to go on as usual with swimming, boating and fishing in the fabulous Florida Keys. He sees plenty of his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, as they also enjoy the paradise of the Keys, especially during the cold northern winter months. ...**Bill** and **Ingrid Monk Stevenson** got the whole family (11 adults and 10 children) together in June for a week at Virginia Beach. "Happy confusion!" In August Bill and Ingrid spent 15 days "wandering through Sweden." They visited "long-lost relatives" of Ingrid's and found one branch of her family still living in the house her great-grandparents built when they were married. Needless to say, it was a wonderful time. ...Dick and **Winnie Witzigman Ballou** sold their business and retired four years ago. Dick still has his county fire position, assisting volunteer departments, especially in arson investigations. Winnie is doing some volunteer work, teaching and translating French and Spanish. Dick is president of his battalion group from World War II, while Winnie heads up the auxiliary; they are both busy planning next year's bi-annual reunion. Still active in ham radio, they help coordinate emergency operations in their county and maintain communications when crises such as earthquakes and hurricanes occur. They also like to travel. During fall '88 they were in the Northwest for a month and last fall they spent a month seeing the Southwest, visiting friends in Tucson, Baton Rouge, Las Vegas and Oklahoma. Last, but not least, they enjoy seeing their five sons and their families frequently. ...**Malcolm S. (Mal) Collin**'s family reunion at Lands End, Upper Saranac Lake, N.Y., last July was a great success attended by all hands, except one 16-year-old grandson who was in training at a special Japanese language school. Mal attended his 49th Proctor High School reunion in June and stayed with Mary and **John Cadwell** in Pittsford, Vt., playing some golf with John and reminiscing with Mary about their classmate days at good old Proctor, Class of 1940. ...**Lois Hofmann Blittersdorf** is still active in the real estate business. Civic activities include chairing the Pittsford (Vt.) Planning Commission, as well as the Vermont 1991 Bi-Centennial Committee for Pittsford. All five children are living back in Vermont. ...**Dave** and Irmy Nierhaus '48 **Stebbins** celebrated her retirement with a three-week bed and breakfast self-drive trip in England and Scotland. Call Dave if you want advice on left-side driving in Scotland on "single track roads" with "passing places." Dave and Irmy also enjoyed a weekend in Cape May, N.J., with nine other Middlebury couples of the Philadelphia Middlebury Alumnae Club in November. Victorian house tours and a "smashing" croquet tournament were weekend highlights. ...We received this wonderful note from Bill Gorman, husband of **Ramona "Posy" Redman Gorman**: "Your former classmate, Posy Redman Gorman, died of a cerebral aneurysm in June of 1984, after a valiant struggle for life through several major operations and two months in intensive care. She left in mourning a distraught husband, four children and four grandchildren. There has never been a sweeter, brighter, more loving woman graduated from Middlebury. Her life was a joy to all who knew her. Her husband, by the way, has since remarried—to a widow who was a close friend of Posy. Life is back on track once again, Thank God." ...**David** and Evelyn Wheeler '39 **Stagg** were at the Princeton headquarters before the Princeton-Dartmouth game last September when Charlie and **Betty Broadbent Brown** met them in Hanover, N.H. We therefore trust they cheered the right team to victory. Dave has retired from his insurance business and Evelyn is in the Vermont legislature as the representative from the Rutland District. She is on the Ways and Means Committee and on the Governor's Commission on Getting Ready to Work. The problem being studied by the commission concerns a projected dearth, by the year 2000, of qualified workers in business and industry, plus the problem of too many unskilled workers for whom there will be no jobs available. The Staggs planned to spend some time at their condominium in Naples, Fla., during the winter. However, they and their three children and three grandchildren all love the cold weather and skiing of Vermont. ...Sage Russell '73 came down from Middlebury last September to address a dinner gathering of the Philadelphia Middlebury Alumnae Club at the Villanova home of Warren and Nancy Stevens Fuller, both '54. Charlie and I (**Betty Brown**) enjoyed the tasty food, prepared by the 30 or so alums present, and especially enjoyed talking with Sage who did so much to coordinate Reunion '89, our 45th included. ...**Jean B. Milligan** and **Robert M. Klein** attended an alumni reception at the Community Boat House in Burlington, Vt., last September. Also in September, **Edith Lee Beckwith** and **Robert R. (Bobo) Sheehan** took part in the Gordie Perine '49 Alumni Golf Tournament. **Dave** and Irmy **Stebbins** went to the Alumni Leadership Conference at Bread Loaf just before they took off for their B & B tour of Scotland and England. **Ted Kolzak** was among those who attended the Middlebury Donor Dinner at the Pierre Hotel in New York City last November. ...**Doris Orth Pike** was honored with a holiday tribute/concert on December 3, 1989, by the president and board of trustees of Dowling College, Oakdale, Long Island, N.Y. The presentation and reception following the concert were in recognition of her years of service as a volunteer teacher of English as a second language in the Patchogue-Medford High School (since 1971) and as a member of the board of trustees of Dowling College (since 1976). The tribute reads: "A graduate of Middlebury College with a Bachelor of Science degree, Doris Pike has been a volunteer teacher of English as a second language at Patchogue-Medford High School since 1971. She earned her Master of Science degree at Adelphi University, and has amassed more than 30 credit hours in Spanish at Dowling College. In 1988, Doris Pike published a book of essays, *The Endless Wave*, authored by Patchogue-Medford High School's ESL students. In 1985, she spearheaded the restoration of the Marjorie Fortunoff Mayrock Conservatory at Dowling College. As a member of the board of trustees for Dowling since 1976, Doris has played other major roles in the advancement of the college. She has served as vice chairman and secretary of the board, on the academic affairs committee, the student affairs committee, the business and finance committee and the development committee. In 1989, Doris was honored with three special awards. Kappa Delta Pi awarded her Honorary Member status. She received the Exemplary Service Award from the Patchogue-Medford Volunteer Program. Also, Doris was distinguished with a "Newsday" Volunteer Recognition Award. A member of the League of Women Voters of South-old-Riverhead, Doris has also served as a member of the board of directors of Skills Unlimited since 1962. Her husband, Otis G. Pike, is a former member of the United States House of Representatives who now serves as a columnist for the Newhouse News Syndicate. In addition to her distinguished professional and civic career, Doris Orth Pike also found the time to raise three children. Her daughter, Lois Pike Eyre, now presides over her own graphics business. Douglas A. Pike serves on the editorial board of the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, and Robert D. Pike is an attorney and councilman for the town of Riverhead, L.I., N.Y." ...On November 14, 1989, **Edgar ("Eddie") A. Card** was honored by the Alumni Association of the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Tampa.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Winslow Wetherbee, Jr. (Barbara Boyden), 1642 18th St., Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223, and Will J. Bangs, 119 Bingham Road, Carlisle, MA 01741.*

Jim and **Midge Harwood Greer** have been on the road again. Last summer they went to an Elderhostel in the British Isles. They visited Scotland, Wales and England, especially enjoying St. David's in Glasgow and the beautiful old homes in Brighton. From London, they flew to Zurich where they met son David in his brand new, bright red BMW. All journeyed to Lugano for a vacation, then on to Frankfurt and fi-

nally back to London for a week. A wonderful 44-day excursion. ...We were sorry to hear of the death of Norman Heald, husband of **Priscilla ("Pete") Hodges Heald**, in July. Known locally as Sam, he was born, brought up and lived all his life in Chester, Vt. He was a real Vermonter and there aren't many of those left these days. He held a degree in mechanical engineering from Drexel University. He worked for Batchelder Company, then for Jones and Lamson Machine Company, serving 14 years as manager of research and development. Sam served the town as selectman, zoning board member, school director and district director of Green Mountain High School while it was being constructed. He was a trustee of Chester Academy and the Whiting Library, and a member of the First Universalist Church. His two sisters graduated from Middlebury, Alice in 1933 and Margaret in 1940. Pete cared for her husband in his final illness. Since then she has been to Idaho to visit daughter Sue, who is a forester with the National Forest Service. Pete did some hiking and enjoyed the incredible beauty of the Tetons. She also saw the results of the 1988 Yellowstone fires which daughter Sue had a hand in fighting. ...We hear that **Anna MacWilliams Neville** attended an alumni reception at the Community Boat House in Burlington, Vt., last September. **Baba Boyden Wetherbee** and **Ken Moore** were at the Leadership Conference at Bread Loaf in September. And **Robin Willits, Will Bangs, Cranston Howe** and **Paula Knight Jeffries** were seen around Midd in October for Homecoming. Middlebury is still great, so MAKE IT A POINT TO JOIN THE FUN AT OUR 45TH REUNION, JUNE 1-3, 1990. SEE YOU ALL THERE!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Roy E. Coombs, Jr. (Fran Tenney), 30 Fern Place, Berkeley Heights, NJ 07922, and Mrs. Albert S. Johnston (Eileen Luz), 54 Old Army Road, Bernardsville, NJ 07924.*

As we approach our 45th Reunion year, much of our news seems to be about retirement and relocation. Peter '45 and **Jean Crawford McKee** retired September 1, 1989, after 42 years at Andover. A physics instructor and associate headmaster for 17 years, Peter served as acting headmaster of Phillips Academy during his last year there. Jean retired as admissions coordinator for the whole school and as director of admissions and dean of studies for the Andover summer session. The McKees had a vacation home in the Sunapee, N.H., area for 35 years. Five years ago they bought a new home with a beach in Sunapee. They have always enjoyed outdoor sports and are now enjoying boating, tennis and golf and were looking forward to downhill and cross-country skiing. Pete also plans to find time to write physics textbooks. In mid-September, Jean and Pete met George '44 and **Barbara Busing Harris** and Milo and **Ann Curry Munier** for a fun-packed day of tennis and boating on Lake Winnipesaukee. ...Although **Barbara Snow Cassedy** still works at the Army and Navy Club in Washington, D.C., she has sold her home and moved to the Leisure World retirement community in Silver Spring, Md. She enjoys going to the opera and playing tennis. At the tennis and swim club she sees some more recent Midd graduates, including Tom '62 and Marren Ward Meehan '62 and Martha Saenz-Schroeder '65. Penny enjoys the challenge of translating passages from Virgil and Ovid with two friends. How's that for an unusual hobby? ...**Edward Cooperstein** has decided that retirement is not for him. After being retired for seven years, Ed moved to South Easton, Mass., and opened a law office in Taunton, Mass., on December 1, 1989. He is in close touch with Constantine Broutsas '49, his roommate at Midd. Ed's daughter, Debbie Cooperstein Goldman '76, recently gave birth to her fourth child. ...Robert and **Peg (Marguerite) Romer Jones** have sold their business, Jones Craft, but are still at home in Reading, Mass.

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Class Secretaries: *Rev. and Mrs. George H. Booth (Joanne Buckeridge), 3515 N. Washington Blvd., #401, Arlington, VA 22201.*

This space is reserved for notes from members of the Class of '47. But what if no one sent in news to use in this reserved space? Alas, this is the case. Let's hear from you out there! Share what you've been doing so we can keep "au courant" with one another. Cheerio.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Benjamin L. Smith (Fran Van Cleve), P.O. Box 1307, Pahrump, NV 89041, and Stewart Washburn, 60 Lakeview Place, Fairfield, CT 06430.*

Le Chateau is an over-the-back-fence neighbor of **Bob** and **Bushie (Marya) Steele Kellogg**, now in their retirement abode at 7 Murdock Court, Middlebury, VT 05753. ...**Carolyn Widegren Milley** is a real estate broker with State Street Associates, West Newbury, Mass. ...**Chris Planck Terry** is a language teacher in Commack, N.Y., Middle School. ...**Ev** and **Sally (Sarah) Peck Littlefield** are gardeners and backyard Champlain ice-fishers. In their version of the "frequent flyer program," they can hop over to visit daughter Gail Littlefield Doeberl '73 in West Redding, Conn., and their son in Duxbury, Mass.—flying *their own plane*! ...Sighted at April '89 alumni functions: **Dick Carpenter** at the reception hosted by Dick '52 and Suzanne Simmons Daily '54; **Dick Wolff** at Terry Mayo's Stamford, Conn., estate-planning session. **Nat Benson Fraioli, Pat Salmon Henderson, Irmie Nierhaus Stebbins** and **Perry Maurer Thompson** were at Midd for Reunion Weekend. In August, Perry, **Tricia McCabe Perkins** and **Marge Lehmann Stillman** took to the high seas (the Champlain cruise). **Bart Nourse** attended the Cape Cod reception in July. In August, **Ruth Burgess Schmidt** made it to the Tri-State Alumnae luncheon at Kirk Alumni Center. **Dick Caswell** and **Stew Washburn** enjoyed Midd's victory over Bates during Homecoming in October. New addresses (including those with a mere one-digit change in zip) have come in for Dr. **Julius B. Chambers** (P.O. Box 980, Eustis, FL 32727); **Christ Christ** (5221 Baywater Drive, Tampa, FL 33615); **Ann Clarke Curley** (Rt. 2, Box 280, Lovettsville, VA 22080); **Charles W. Pierce** (RD 1, Box 1030, Bristol, VT 05443), **Katherine Spaulding Ragone** (Hillside Road, Wellesley, MA 02181), **Dorothy Daggett Siebert** (52 Bannerwood Lane, Palm Coast, FL 43237), and **Fred B. Storfer** (1270 5th Ave., #6L, New York, NY 10029).

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Henry R. Anderson, Jr. (Polly Ashworth), 5431 Crestline Road, Wilmington, DE 19808, and Robert E. Trimmer, 398 Fearington Post, Pittsboro, NC 27312.*

In 1986, **Becky Belisle Baute** developed multiple sclerosis, a chronic disease affecting the central nervous system. Older adults who contract the disease do not enjoy remissions as do younger MS victims. Her decreasing mobility makes it necessary for her to use a cane when she stands, and her lack of balance makes walking nearly impossible. Becky goes to physio-therapy twice a week to aid in the maintenance of balance and function in her legs. When she was backing her car out to come to our 40th Reunion, she was unable to remove her right foot from the accelerator which caused her to hit a stone wall and sent the the car forward through the garage door. The car was totaled, but luckily Becky was not injured. Wonderful neighbors drove her to Midd and also took her home after the Reunion. On her return, she availed herself of the services of the New Hampshire State Vocational Rehabilitation. She praises Voc Rehab for making it possible for her to continue working, assigning her a social worker who worked with her from June through November 1989, securing a lift for her scooter and outfitting her vehicle with hand controls. Becky quickly learned to substitute her left hand for the right foot when she returned from a business trip via Route 128 to Keene in pouring rain, bumper-to-bumper, stop-and-go traffic. She finds she does well living alone by carefully pacing herself to four days of work per week and some weekend duty. Her extracurricular activity is singing in the church choir, which she has done for 18 years. She is enthusiastic about the successes of her three daughters and son, and she has three grandchildren. Son Andrew (26) is simultaneously completing his fourth year of college at the School of Hotel Management and first year of graduate business school at Cornell University. When Becky graduated from Midd, she did not think about a career, but was rudely awakened at the time of her divorce in 1972. She returned to dietetic work in what is now the Cheshire Medical Center, later returning to college at Keene State and acquiring her master's in 1981 in occupational education with an emphasis in nutrition. She then passed the dietetic examination which entitles her to use the initials R.D. (Registered Dietitian) after her name. She keeps in contact with **Cleone Jones Sporborg** and **Jane Alice Miller Brouwers** and eagerly awaits **Pat Allen Guthrie's** move to New Hampshire. Even now, Pat drops in on Becky whenever Pat visits a daughter who lives in Nashua. ...Our condolences to **Joan Keller Alden**, whose husband, John, passed away last December. You can write to her at 380 Grove St., Needham, MA 02192. ...**Ruth Ann Scott McDonough** (511 Bradford Parkway, Syracuse, NY 13224) has been in the educational field since graduation, except for five years as a mother/homemaker. Over the years, she taught high school English in various cities to which her husband was transferred. Her husband died in 1981. She became a reading teacher 21 years ago and now teaches in a city middle school. Her emphasis is on the improvement of urban education. Her extracurricular life revolves around friends and a family of four children and four grandchildren. Three children live near Syracuse and one child lives in Ohio. ...**Anita Liptak** has worked 24 years for Tongg Publishing Company, the oldest and largest commercial printing firm in Hawaii. As editorial director, Anita handles promotion and advertising of Tongg in Hawaii and on the mainland. She writes and edits company publications and is in charge of the production of several magazines. Most are trade publications serving the restaurant and hotel industry and the building trades. She supervises the production of such publications as *Hawaii Architect*, a telecommunications magazine named *Information Times*, and a Filipino magazine called

Alumni College XV

August 29-September 2, 1990 / David Littlefield, Director
Bread Loaf Campus of Middlebury College

1. Labors of Love: The experience and organization of care
Margaret K. Nelson, professor of sociology / anthropology, and Katherine Sonderegger, visiting instructor in religion

Is it natural for women to care for others? Should women's culture be defined in terms of nurturing? Is it possible to find satisfaction in occupations devoted to caring? These are some of the questions we will examine in this course. We will first consider theoretical issues embedded in the notion of caring as an essential part of women's role and identity (e.g., Chodorow, Gilligan, Friedan and Firestone). We will then draw on a series of case studies to illustrate the reality of caregiving in both the public and private spheres. Literary treatments of these issues will be used to round out our inquiry.

2. Gorbachev and the East European revolution
Michael Kraus, associate professor of political science

The year 1989 will be remembered as the year when "people power" dissolved Communist regimes in Eastern Europe. This course examines the roots of the East European revolution, the balance of forces after the 1990 elections, and the prospects for a new Europe without the Iron Curtain. Social, political and economic incentives and barriers to change will be considered by the instructor and his guest lecturers.

3. Beginnings: A poet and a physicist ponder creation
Robert Pack, Axinn Professor of Literature, and Richard Wolfson, professor of physics

How do the early myths of creation compare with the new scientific version? Are they fundamentally at odds or do they represent different ways of looking at the same basic truths? In this course we will compare and contrast the myths and the science of creation, focusing especially on the biblical account in the Book of Genesis and on the contemporary cosmological rendition known as Big Bang Theory. We will examine a group of selected poems that interpret the biblical myth and another group of poems that respond to discoveries about the physical universe as achieved by modern science. The course will combine literary criticism, presentations of scientific fact, and lively discussion. Participants will join a poet and an astrophysicist in the search, from our very different perspectives, for the truth about our common origins.

4. A human approach to the history of mathematics
Claudia Henrion, assistant professor of mathematics

Mathematics and society — what does one have to do with the other? This course will approach mathematics, the "pure" science, as a human activity, by looking at the connections between mathematics and who we are as people, our environment, our beliefs. We will begin by looking at the individuals who practiced mathematics. Who were they, what were their lives like? Who were the women in mathematics, why were there so few? We will then expand our focus and consider how early cultures approached mathematics. What are the similarities? What are the differences? During the course, we will look at some of the major turning points in mathematics, and investigate how mathematics — once thought to represent a kind of absolute truth — is now seen as resting on a foundation not rooted in certainty. The course assumes no background in mathematics. I hope to draw on your mathematical life stories (traumas and triumphs) in exploring this wonderfully rich field.

5. Singing detectives: Investigating choral music
Emory Fanning, Fletcher Professor of the Arts

There is more than meets the eye or ear in experiencing choral singing. The music reveals hidden clues to its performance; an exciting choreography exists under cover of the notated score. Choral works by Schutz, Telemann, Purcell, Faure, Parry, Argento and Rutter will be examined in daily rehearsals. The entire Bread Loaf community will be invited to our drawing room on Saturday afternoon to consider the evidence of our testimony. Packets of music will be sent to registrants. A moderate degree of pre-meditation is assumed.

6. Miscellany

This year, Miscellany will consist primarily of a preview of an event taking place on the Middlebury campus this fall — the Middlebury College Symposium on Spirit and Nature: Religion, Ethics and the Environmental Crisis. The symposium, scheduled for September, will include a return visit to the campus by the Dalai Lama, the recipient of the 1989 Nobel Prize for Peace. Among the lecturers in this Alumni College preview will be Barbara Bellows, assistant professor of history, Steven Rockefeller, professor of religion, and John Elder, professor of English.

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The cost — covering 12 meals, four nights of lodging at Bread Loaf, tuition and books — is $375 / person, or $700 / couple. The cost for younger alumni — classes '75-'89 — is $350 / person, or $600 / couple. Recreational opportunities include tennis, swimming, hiking and golf (greens fees additional). Please make checks payable to Middlebury College.

For more information, call the Alumni Office at 802 / 388-3711, extension 5183, or write Alumni Office, Middlebury College, Forest Hall, Middlebury, VT 05753.

Kiss. For recreation, Anita loves golf but rates herself a poor player. Several years ago she won the Hawaii singles cribbage tournament. She keeps in contact with **Dwin Woodman Schuler, Phyllis Brown Gavaghan** and Ross Cowan '50. She recalled the Hawaiian reception the Coast Guard gave Admiral Jim Gracey before his retirement from service, at which she enjoyed a visit with former roommate **Dorcas Neal Gracey**. Another visitor from the mainland was Pat Wulp '50. ...For 20 of the past 26 years, **Jane Livsey Flory** (67 Bayside Ave., Warwick, RI 02888; 401-785-0332) has been teaching English at Hope High School in Providence. When she began, she taught four courses of traditional English to the mainly middle- to upper-class East Side/Brown University area student population. Today she teaches the only college-bound section of 10th and 11th grade students, three 9th grade sections, and one section of English as a second language transitional. The population of the latter class is comprised of recently-arrived immigrants to the city—Cape Verdeans, Hispanics from the Caribbean and South America, Laotians, Hmongs, Cambodians, and some Russians and Vietnamese. Some years back she was director of drama, producing musicals, road shows and regular plays, but the restrictions of stage use and lack of support led her to abandon that extra. This has been only one of the many frustrations of working in the educational bureaucracy—non-teaching paperwork, absenteeism, teen pregnancies and drug deals are all par for the course in inner cities. In spite of all this, Jane loves teaching. She holds a master's in secondary education from Rhode Island College. She spends her summers in Maine at Lake St. George with her grandchildren and children, writing when the time and mood are available. Her marriage to Sheldon Flory '50 ended in divorce in 1974. They have three children and four grandchildren. Her daughters live in Providence and her son, Chris Flory, is a jazz guitarist in New York City. ...**Priscilla Thwaits Garcia** (1673 Eighth Ave., San Francisco, CA 94122; 415-681-0975) had a busy 1989, directing 300 volunteers who served 400 residents of a nursing home providing many levels of service. Pat was married in 1956 to Max Garcia, a survivor of Auschwitz. Pat assisted him in writing a book about his experiences in the Holocaust, *As Long as I Remain Alive* ($10 from Portals Press, P.O. Box 1048, Tuscaloosa, AL 35403; 205-758-1874), published in 1976. Max organized and was the first chairman of the current Holocaust Center of Northern California in San Francisco. Max and Pat are constantly working together to initiate and effect change in the community at large. Pat also assisted Max in establishing a successful architectural practice from which he retired in 1986. Max came out of retirement after the earthquake to supervise repairs on a historic building in the downtown area. When the earthquake occurred, the Garcias were in Europe making arrangements for a spring 1990 tour for the men of General George Patton's 3rd Calvary, the Ghost Troopers, who liberated the concentration camp Ebensee in the Austrian Alps near Salzburg. They will participate in memorial services on May 6, 1990, the 45th anniversary of the liberation. Their losses from the earthquake were minor, including some American blown glass, some Hopi Kachina dolls, and some southwest pueblo pottery. Pat and Max have two daughters, one son and four grandchildren who reside in Sacramento and San Jose. ...**Caroline Wheeler Guild Sawyer** (known to classmates as "Karo," but now prefers to be called Caroline) maintained the accounting and appointments end of the roofing contracting business owned by her husband of 21 years. They have five children and seven grandchildren. After their divorce and a try at real estate, Caroline resumed office work to enable her to be an independent, single parent. When a second marriage ended in 1986, Caroline became adventuresome, packed a duffle and explored five countries solo via Eurailpass for four weeks. Shortly after arriving home, she read of a fabulous educational tour to Mexico offered by the Natural History Museum of Santa Barbara. Off she went to the Yucatan for fun and study of natural history and archaeology. Six months later she accepted an offer to visit a daughter living in Italy. Recently, she visited a daughter who lives in Canyonville, in the peaceful rural area west of Crater Lake, Oregon. This daughter is an artist and her husband, Rick Foster, is a guitarist who has recorded sacred and classical music. The Fosters operate an organic farm. Caroline is now in partial retirement, paints on porcelain and has her own kiln. With the current water shortage, Caroline is concerned as to how well her orchard will produce avocados, oranges, peaches and plums. Caroline entered Midd with us, dropped out after sophomore year to work for one year at the registrar's office at New York University, then graduated with the Class of '50. She still visits her roommate, Sandy Glenn Gunderson '50, of Houston. ...**Janet Correll Shahan** (Box 400, North Road, Tully, NY 13159, 315-696-5100), who lives in an area of rolling farm country, cross-country skis from her back door. She also has a long commute to the George Arents Research Library for Special Collections at Syracuse University where she catalogs rare books. Two weeks before her husband Jack '50 died at age 59 in 1983, they had been on a downhill ski trip. They have four children. Son Kevin '76 attended Middlebury for two years; one daughter (33) is in her second year of medical school; the second son is in his final year of law school; and the youngest, a daughter, has a graphics design business in Manhattan. Janet takes advantage of being an employee of Syracuse University, enrolling (fall 1989) in an anatomy course to complement previous courses in drawing and painting with pastels and charcoal. An avid reader, Janet encourages everyone to read *Making of the Atomic Bomb*, by Richard Rhodes. She keeps current with activities of classmates **Jane Baker, Ellen Taussig, Pat Thwaits Garcia** and sisters-in-law **Mary Seacord Shahan** and **Harriet Miller Correll.** ...**Charlie Puksta** of Claremont, N.H., *says* he's retired, but it doesn't sound like it. He *did* retire from Jones and Lamson, a machine company in Vermont, but he's busy serving on a governmental committee charged with cleaning up the Connecticut River. Charlie was mayor of Claremont for 16 years and was recently elected chairman of the New Hampshire Postsecondary Technical Educational System. He had received three presidential appointments to the National Advisory Council on Adult Education and was cited for his years of service on several Vermont educational advisory committees. Charlie and Lorraine have raised seven children—all college graduates, including daughter Juliana, Middlebury Class of '77. The Pukstas were sorry to miss our 40th, but they were off on a six-week tour of China. ...**Bill Kroeck** has been in Atlanta, Ga., since the early '70s, working for a multi-county planning agency, dealing with water supply and waste management. Bill sings with the Atlanta Vocal Consort, a 10-member a cappella group. He had planned to attend reunion, but was invited to sing with an Atlanta choir traveling to England for the Warwick University Festival. Maybe Bill and Charlie will both make the 45th. ...Since **Bob Reed** of Berwyn, Pa., retired from Design Pak in 1986, he has been playing a lot of tennis, keeps busy with his family, and is scouting out areas in the Southwest for a possible move. Bob has kept in contact with his old Army unit, the 10th Mountain Division, and recently attended their reunion in Salt Lick, Ind. He has also traveled to Italy, visiting sites where his unit fought in WW II. Bob reports that his brother, **Karl Reed**, has retired as a developmental engineer and is now doing consulting work in Wayne, Pa. Karl is married to Juliet Carrington '48. ...**John Rumbold** is one '49er who has no thought of retiring. He continues to work as a manufacturer's representative, selling industrial products, particularly paints, to the steel and oil industries. John lives in Aurora, Ohio, near Cleveland. He and wife Jean have four married daughters and four grandchildren. John's hobbies include woodworking, gardening, tennis and golf. ...**Dick Hoffmann** sent information on a postcard to **Rachel Adkins Platt**, ex-class secretary. Good idea! Drop your present secretaries a line with *your* news. Dick retired in 1982 and is thoroughly enjoying his retirement, staying busier than ever. He wonders how he and wife Dottie got everything done when they were working and raising four sons. Dick plays the stock market with the aid of his computer and, at last report, they're *both* doing well! Dick left Middlebury before graduating and earned a degree in textile engineering at Clemson. ...**Howard Boone** reports from Carmel, Calif., that he has been working for 20 years as a professor of business law, marketing and retailing at Monterey Peninsula College. He also creates sculptures in clay which he then casts in bronze, marketing the finished pieces in galleries in Paso Robles and Palm Springs. Howard, who originally came from Idaho, is building a retirement home on his property there. His land, 26 miles north of Boise in the Rockies, abuts a golf course so he should be able to improve on his 10 handicap after he retires. For now, Howard sounds very happy with his academic and artistic life. ...HELP! **Bob Trimmer**'s yearbook was lost in the move to North Carolina. If anyone has a yearbook they can spare (until our 45th), Bob would like to hear from you.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert T. Davison (Jacqueline Brooks), 86 Spring St., Lexington, MA 02173 (617-862-3282), and Dexter C. Whittinghill, Jr., 24 Burroughs Road, Lexington, MA 02173 (617-862-7738).*

With sadness, we report the passing in August 1989 of **Charles Bond** on Molokai, Hawaii. He was a charismatic historian, member of the Outrigger Canoe Club and a very active manager in his family's Ioli Development Corporation, a combo of real estate and macadamia nut businesses. We'll miss Charlie in our individual ways. ...All "jocks" of Nifty-fifty, and many others, were shocked to learn of the death of Walter "Duke" Nelson '32 in October 1989. We had invited Duke to share '40s faculty representation at our banquet. He played nine holes daily right up to the end. Remember those exciting sports events of 1946-50 years on ice, sod and hardwood floor? ...I (**Dexter Whittinghill**) am writing during the 6-inch snowstorm of Thanksgiving '89, trying to anticipate your sunny spring '90 mood in hopes of swaying the "undecided" to make it to our 40th Reunion. Come on, gang! We have some firm events, but plenty of free time to please everyone. Early "attitude quiz" returns show we're greying, 10 pounds heavier, love ice cream, don't smoke, drink coffee, steal pencils, skip church, walk a lot and want to trade off-the-cuff thoughts and memories. See you there! ...Senior Sarah Menzel '90, the most recent recipient of the Class of 1950 Scholarship Fund, expects to graduate in June. Sarah, who hails from Topsham, Maine, is majoring in psy-

chology and is completing requirements for teacher education certification. She sings in the College Choir and is a member of the Big Brother/Big Sister Program, all on top of her studies, plus working in the dining halls and at Ilsley Library. Thank you, contributors! And congratulations, Sarah! ...**Don Hill** and **Rudy Peterson** have legacy student children, Hector D. '91 and Diane L. '90, respectively, at Midd. ...The Rev. **Don Baker** can't make our Reunion, but reports his "health is excellent and we're delighted to be in New England, again. Middle-of-three daughter Meredith graduated Midd in June '88 and is enjoying a stint working for Club Med in exotic places. Best to all the bunch." ...**Bob Jackson** celebrated with alumni at the baseball postgame reception at West Point in April '89. ...**Irv** and **Kathy Pell Meeker** anticipate returning in June '90. Both are flat-out organizing an international conference on ethical issues in medicine, scheduled for spring '90. To recharge their batteries, they hit Hawaii's sands for two weeks in November '89. Kathy offered to help with Reunion, but insisted that "my friends preferred it when I didn't sing." ...**Peg Stearns Burdett, Bob Buttrick** and **John Irons** convened in June '89 to help the Class of '49 celebrate. ...Between catnip-laced tollhouse cookies, **George Shumway** confirmed plans for the 40th: "Hoping for a picnic at Lake Dunmore's State Park," to re-live lighter moments of our graduation weekend. Having paid $400 for one day/evening at his MIT 35th, George thinks our weekend ticket is a bargain at any price. ...**John Burckes, Jackie Brooks Davison, Bill Fincke, Stephanie Griffin** and **Dave Wallace** attended the Boston Alumni College in September '89 at Pine Manor College. ...**Joan Kent Warnke** awoke from her "quiet, sedate, curled-up-with-a-book kind of life" in Tempe, Ariz., to write about "playing very bad golf, fairly good duplicate bridge and volunteering at the Desert Botanical Garden, including writing for their quarterly magazine." **Barb Kraft Packer** is twisting her arm about Reunion, but overseas Elderhostel and family travels have pre-empted their annual East Coast schedule for 1990. ...**Sid Kay** and **Dave Wallace** attended Terry Mayo Estate Planning seminars in April '89 at Stamford, Conn., and Newton, Mass., respectively. Now they can finance our 40th Reunion weekend. ...**John Burckes, Frank McNamee, Fred Neuberger, John O'Connor, Paul Skudder** and **Bob Wilson** hooked-'n-sliced away at the Gordie Perine Alumni Golf Tourney at Midd in September '89. ...**Al Dragone** and **Sid Kay** kicked off our 40th Reunion gift drive at the Alumni Donor Dinner at the Hotel Pierre in NYC in November '89. ...**Phil** and Sue Cooke '48 **Turnbull** will miss our 40th due to family reunion conflicts along the Kansas City-Boston-New Jersey circuit. Phil hears monthly from **Ed "Satch" Valpy** via WATS line to share latest male jokes and philosophy on life-in-general. Christmas '89 plans included a Boston-area dinner with all seven children, including Martha '85 and her husband, Chris Higgins '83. Phil's son and **Okie O'Connor** trounced **Frank McNamee** and Phil in a nassau in July '89. They are drafting a Tucson, Ariz., rematch of the 1987 golf outing in Scotland and Ireland. ...**Gordie Cook, Bob Herdman, Sid Kay** and **Bob Wilson** cheered the teams on at Homecoming in October '89, and toasted others at the reception at Kirk Alumni Center. ...**Ed O'Neill** sent the most fascinating letter of my five years as class secretary. We'll post it at Reunion. With 28 different addresses since Midd, Ed had an international/diplomatic career as author, journalist, managing editor, press officer, speech writer, special assistant, public affairs adviser and now retired freelance writer—from Louisville, Ky., to New Delhi, India, to Washington, D.C., to a 200-year-old stone farmhouse 14 miles from Kenmare, Ireland. Besides countless articles in major newspapers and two novels, Ed worked for such notables as Ellsworth Bunker, John Kenneth Galbraith and Senator William Fulbright. Wife Lois is remembered as Dean Storrs Lee's "social director" for the Men's College in the late '40s. Infant son Mike, who ran up/down Hepburn's corridors, is now a computer scientist at Mitre. Daughter Catherine '72 wrote health and preteen columns for the *Washington Post* for five years and is now journalist for the St. Paul *Pioneer Press* in Minnesota. Ed is trying to arrange an across-ocean house swap to facilitate a 1990 Midd Reunion visit. ...**Stan Vegors** completely wiped me out with D = deuteron formulas, accelerations and energy reactions. But I got the drift fast, that he is "healthy, but slower—broke financing two daughters in grad school—gratified teaching physics at Idaho State University to mostly foreign graduate students—intrigued with their research program of fundamental measurements on whether 'cold fusion' is possible, plus immersed in 'pure' mathematics project of number theory, e.g., 'obtaining a recurrence relation for the partition of (n), a positive integer.'" Wow! I'll post his letter for science buffs and MIT. Combined Plan survivors. Stan sends best wishes to former classmates. ...**Jacque Snyder Braddock** will be retiring in June from her position as librarian at West Springfield High School in Fairfax, Va. Jacque will then be moving to nearby Fredericksburg. ...**Barbara Wesselman Stark** reports from Charlotte, N.C., that she lost a lot of trees in Hurricane Hugo but, fortunately, none fell on her house. ...Responding to our request for help with telephone calls urging classmates to come to Reunion, **Sandy Sanderson Rickers** answered that she was at first going to turn us down because of a busy schedule, but she couldn't bring herself to say no. Thank you, Sandy. Sandy also noted that she and husband John have signed up for Gordie Perine's golf trip to Scotland in July and she wanted to sign on for Midd's Australian trip in February, but so far it had been a hard sell. We'll find out at Reunion whether you made it, Joan. Bring photos! ...A lovely letter from **Jean Simmons Arnold** showed a Lincroft, N.J., address. Jean retired in May '89 from her job running the television service at her local hospital. She was taken by surprise when she received a gold clock (is that better than a gold watch?). With supposedly more time available, Jean has yet to accomplish all she planned to do, but she did fulfill a liftime desire to spend a summer on the beach. Jean has a married granddaughter. Is this a first for our class? Her travel plans included a week in San Diego, Thanksgiving on a Caribbean cruise and the winter in Florida. ...An early Christmas card from **Joan Hallett Evans** enclosed her new addresses. She and husband Tom moved from Rochester to Pittsford, N.Y., in October. Then two weeks later they headed to Melbourne, Fla., to their new retirement community for the winter. Commenting on her two new grandchildren, Joan said becoming a mother at a later age (38) produces meticulous parents who have all the latest equipment, educational toys, intercom systems, healthy food—and no plastic diapers. ...A note about reunion: Dex and Jackie divided the class geographically with someone to represent each area to make it easier to nudge you all to Reunion June 1-3. You should by now have received a call or a note. Even if you can't attend, we want to hear from you via a telephone message or note. Just let your area rep know what you've been up to over the past 40 years (in 25 words or less!). Just know we are going to have a terrific turnout for our 40th!

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Higgins, Jr. (Jean Maintain), 44 Cabot St., Winchester, MA 01890, and Benito G. Barsanti, 70 Plymouth Road, Wakefield, MA 01880.*

Last October, **Joe Borst** was the GOP candidate for first selectman/town manager of Newtown, Conn. Long active in Newtown's municipal affairs, Joe has served on the legislative council and the board of selectmen and has participated in the formulation of many community improvement projects. We look forward to hearing more. ...Congratulations to **Frank Nicholson**, who is again in the news after his retirement as chairman of the foreign language department at the Greenwich, Conn., Country Day School, where he taught French and Latin for 27 years. Now he has been named by the *Greenwich Time* as the recipient of that paper's third annual Louise Crisafi Community Award, honoring a volunteer in health care for exemplary service to the community. Frank retired on a Friday and four days later signed on as a volunteer at the Greenwich Hospital. In his seven years with the hospital he has logged more than 1,670 hours of service, helping elderly folks interpret their Medicare bills and escorting patients to tests and treatment. ...The aftermath of Hurricane Hugo did not quite wash away the Norm '53 and **Joan Allen Armour** wedding for Sarah to Mike Nemetz on September 23, 1989, but the waters did rise in the Armour gardens as the temp dropped into the 50s. It was fabulously beautiful and Joan and Norm were elegant—Joan even after donning Bean boots and warm sweater over her exquisite silk gown during the festive tent reception. Sarah and Mike, after a wedding trip to Greece, are living in Boston. Congratulations also go out to son Tim '82 and Nina on the birth of their daughter, Morgan, last fall. The entire family was eagerly awaiting the Christmas holidays when all would gather from the East, West, North and South for the viewing of this first grandchild. ...Jack and **Mary Hench Henty** are safe and sound after facing the eye of Hugo as it passed over Charleston. They had just returned from Alumni College and a trip through Maine to Cape Cod—and with Mary sporting a broken shoulder. Since their house is on an island on the waterway, they were evacuated during the storm's intensity, returning the next morning to extensive interior water damage from roof and window breakage. They felt fortunate by comparison as they waited with great patience for materials and labor to help with repairs to house, dock and waterfront, while coping for an extended time without power and water. Jack perfected his wood-cutting and hauling skills, though lamenting the loss of their great stately live oaks. ...Last fall, **Wendy Forbes, Lois Behrman Watson, Mike Hunt, Ed** and **Jean Maintain Higgins** and **Ellie Hight Morris** were back for the Gordie Perine '49 Alumni Golf Tournament. Attending Homecoming were **Marge Mering Sherman, Bob Delaney** and **Will Jackson**. In NYC, **Don Axinn** and **Mike Hunt** attended the Alumni Donor Dinner. ...We have received many changes of address from the College. In this issue we pass on to you the changes for the men; those for women will appear in next issue: **James S. Beck**, 7 Wainwright Road, Unit 35, Winchester, MA 01890; **Bruce E. Burdett**, P.O. Box 103, Sunapee, NH 03782; **Scott H. Buzby**, 130 Springline Drive, Vero Beach, FL 32963; **Gifford A. Eager**, 1106 Pass a Grille Way, #A1, St. Petersburg Beach, FL 33706; **Paul T. Farrell**, 1341 Middle Gulf Drive, Unit 4D, Sanibel, FL 33957; **Homer L. Gowing**, 13 Hitching Post Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739; **Neil F. Myers**, 7730, Hwy. 7 LP RT, Estes Park, CO

80517; **Anthony R. Romano**, Paradise Island Park, 2900 S. U.S. Hwy. 27, Haines City, FL 33844 (winter address); **Gordon S. Ross**, P.O. Box 852, Rutland, VT 05701; **Guido V. Tine**, 315 Rantoul St., Beverly, MA 01915; **John R. Walsh**, 5301 Westbard Circle, #317, Bethesda, MD 20816; **David R. White**, R.D. 286, Mountain Road, Willsboro, NY 12996; **John R. Zeiller**, 108 William St., Williamsburg, VA 23185. If we have missed your latest change—or your latest news—please write us or the College to keep us updated.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Robert Francoeur (Mary Halsted), 456 Gurney, Lake Bluff, IL 60044, and Al Mutti, 57 Crooked Trail Road, Rowayton, CT 06853.*

As I (**Mary Halsted Francoeur**) write this, our daughter, Jennifer Francoeur Dodge, is in the Burlington, Vt., hospital about to give birth to our first true New Englander. Her husband, Dave, is one of the skiing Dodges (also "Duffy" and Peter) from St. Johnsbury. ...**Dorothy Deyerberg Ajemian** writes that she and Ed have moved from Michigan to 271 Fearrington Post, Pittsboro, NC 27312 (just south of Chapel Hill). They are busy traveling, socializing and "learning retirement." ...**Shirley Herrman Andrews** was planning a six-week Sierra Club trek to Kashmir in northern India with her husband when she last wrote. She has probably returned to teach flute and work on her book on Atlantis by now. ...**Carol Holmes Phillips** continues to be about the busiest person possible, participating in seven sports, volunteering, doing a super job of keeping up with family and classmates and making a list of things she wants to do. The list includes hiking the Long Trail, bicycling down the Pacific Coast and skiing in Colorado. At the bottom of her list is cleaning the attic. ...**Caryl Entwistle Huffaker** takes at least one major trip a month across the U.S., Canada or Europe. When at home, she writes a humorous column for the paper and is active with the symphony and opera organizations. ...**Judy Webster Barton** has no intention of retiring as long as the Hillsborough, Calif., homes she sells continue to draw $1 million to $3 million prices. Her children are "all still in college! Probably forever!!" ...**Joan Cairns Lancaster** is the manager of the Litchfield, Conn., branch of Tweeds and Tees. Joan and her husband make a point of spending two weeks in East Boothbay, Maine, each year (two grandchildren there) and visit their other children in Vermont. They recently "drove through the Midd campus—obviously still a wonderful place in which to live and study." ...**Jeanne Badeau Barnett** wrote that she planned on "retiring from my *present* work (director of the United Church of Christ Overseas Mission) in November '89. What next? Don't know yet and don't really know how one defines 'retirement.' But I certainly plan to be up to something new in 1990." Fairly recent trips have included southern Africa ('88) and China for first-hand observation of the conditions there. ...**Barbara Osborn Lyon** still plays on a tennis team and has become a serious golfer. She says she has a way to go to perfect the game, but golfing trips to Scotland, Florida and North Carolina have helped. ...**Peg Lewis West** is coping with keeping up the yard, house and "a basement full of furniture to deliver to three kids when they have places to put it." They plan to retire in 1990, but will remain in their present residence, "until said basement is clean." ...FLASH! Peyton and Avery Hurst have a new cousin: David Alexander Dodge! COMMENT: When *you're* class secretary, you'll get to write about *your* grandchildren! ...**Larry Draper** had a vacation in Holland after teaching a one-week intensive course in immunology in Amsterdam. He was planning to do it again in July '89 with a side trip to England thereafter. He has heard from **John Bowker**, on occasion, and would welcome hearing from others. Larry and wife Sally have six children. His two are Paul (a Ph.D. in high energy physics at Fermilab) and Keith (a geologist in California). Sally's children are Craig (a stockbroker), Sara (a restaurateur), Tom (in real estate) and Chris (in college). ...**Ernie Tanner** spent six weeks traveling cross-country last summer, visiting friends and relatives. His children are in California and New Hampshire, except for two who are still at home. He would like to hear from some of the Theta Chi's and other assorted old friends. ...**Bruce (Sam) Wilson** had a season's pass at Pat's Peak, 10 minutes from his home, so he skied there quite often. He plans to do some fishing, hiking and tent camping during retirement. On his last trip he toured Scotland, staying in a B & B, then flew to Cancun and Chichen Itza. His children live in Tilton and Weare, N.H. ...**Tim Budd** says he's still working hard as director, Business-Industry Development Center, Harrisburg Area Community College. He doesn't plan to retire, as he's already having too much fun with his grandchildren, golf, bridge and reading. His children are Jeannie (in Atascadero, Calif.), John (in San Diego), Nancy (in Attleboro, Mass.), Melissa (in St. Louis) and Andy (in Alexandria, Va.). Tim and **Nancy Watters Bagg** would "love for '52 to be the first 100 percent participation class" in Annual Giving. ...Dr. **Bob Martin** spends winter weekends downhill and cross-country skiing in Vermont and summer weekends boating, hiking and swimming at Old Black Point, Conn. Eventually, he plans to sell the house in West Hartford and live in Vermont and the place at the shore. Two of his children are still in college; the rest are gainfully employed, living independently and unmarried. Annie and **King Woodward** visited him in Vermont and at the shore during 1988. ...**Paul Faris** writes that he still has a 21-year-old at home; also, two grandsons (ages 9 and 6) live with them. His activities include hiking, tennis, swimming, bicycling, etc., and he has no plans to retire from the ministry. If you live in California, he would like to hear from you. ...**Bill Hall** and wife Barbara have three grandchildren, ages 2-11. He writes: "Our usual vacations consist of tent camping, biking, tennis, golfing and sailing. I'm an expert on air mattresses! We sailed Lakes Bomoseen and Champlain in Vermont and Sunapee in New Hampshire during the summer of '88, stopping by Middlebury for a few hours." Bill expected to explore Mesa Verde, Colo., and Santa Fe, N.M., in '89. "Barbara drives when we are driving the high mountain roads as they scare me! I like good old Vermont highway guards which they haven't heard about in the West. Motor Wheel Corporation is doing well since its separation from Goodyear and lets me have fun shepherding new ideas from concept to production. My specialities are military and automotive wheels. I haven't seen any Middlebury classmates since the 25th Reunion. We would be thrilled to see anyone who might be lost in the mid-Michigan area." ...I (**Al Mutti**) wish I had been able to get this news out to you sooner. But now you have it and I am again waiting to hear from you.

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Class Secretary: *Robert C. Kelly, 7 Governor's Lane, Shelburne, VT 05482 (802-985-9555).*

The column for the spring issue is always the toughest because it is usually written during the first winter blizzard. This one is no exception. What makes it even tougher is that, because of the lead time required for these columns, I missed the deadline for sending out a request for news. Fortunately I have a few tidbits which I dug up from here and there. First of all, we are all getting so old that we have only three legacies at Midd this year. Paul Gould, son of **Nancy English**, is in the the Class of '90; **Virginia Reynolds Rowe**'s daughter, Jennifer, and **William Walter**'s daughter, Elizabeth, are in the Class of '92. ...**Ann Findley Wohl** is on the move again. Last year she moved from Boulder, Colo., to San Mateo, Calif. Her latest note shows her address as 19202 N. 4th St., Phoenix, AZ 85024 (phone 602-780-0844). ...**Helen Adams Morrison** has moved from Bethesda, Md., to RR 3, Box 360, Sneedville, TN 37869. ...**Nancy Bush Beekman** now resides at 2120 Greenbriar Lane, Palm City, FL 34990. ...**Dick Worthington** has settled at RR 2, Box 494, Bridgton, ME 04009. Hope he doesn't forget that he is in charge of our 50th in 2003. ...**Neil Sheehan** has returned from his two-year stint teaching school in Turin, Italy. He's now working for Eastern Airlines doing a little bit of everything. (Hope that doesn't include piloting.) I don't remember how many kids I counted at the Sheehan's house when I last visited in 1969, but only Tom (27) is still at home. ...**Susan Taylor** of Urbana, Ill., wrote about what a good time she had at our 35th Reunion last year. She sang with the choir that weekend and even reached an "incredible" high G. Sue spent a wonderful week with Jean Louis and **Jean Riviere Puydoyer** in Paris, including New Year's Day, and also visited **Barbara Whitehouse Jones** in Honolulu on her way back from "down under." It sounds like Sue isn't letting any grass grow under her feet. ...**Millard Davis** is doing an article for *Horticulture* magazine. He wants to know why there is no alumni tennis tournament as there is golf. I'm game, Bill. ...**Elizabeth Cushman Gumbart** attended a Shelburne Museum touring exhibit in Hartford, Conn., last June. ...**Pat Hamilton Todd**, now residing at Box 2620, RD 1, Bristol, VT 05443—actually Lincoln, Vt.—is all settled in except she seems to be spending most of her time in the car. She recently had lunch with **Jean Overhysser Arneberg** at her new home in Woodstock, Vt.—my old home town—and with **Anne Coleman Zehner**. I don't think it was all at the same time, but there were also luncheons with **Ann McGinley Ross, Nancy Hamilton Shephard** and **Jan Schongar Wagner**. Pat enjoyed hosting a large group from the class of 1979 last May. She says the old Midd spirit is still there. ...I mentioned in the last column that I have sold my accounting practice of 30 years and, instead of going to Florida like all other smart retirees, I have gone into the mail order business (drop me a line if you would like a catalog). My partner is a former Catholic priest from San Francisco and the products we sell are icons in various formats. These icons are painted by Robert Lentz of Albuquerque, N.M., and many of them are controversial in nature, in that they are of people who have not been canonized by the church. Included among these contemporary "saints" are Martin Luther King, Oscar Romero of San Salvador, Harvey Milk of San Francisco and Steven Biko of South Africa. It certainly is a different business from accounting.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Peter B. Marshall (Cecily Mattocks), 290 Goodale St., West Boylston, MA 01583, and Peter L. Simonson, 105 Lower*

Flying Pt. Road, Freeport, ME 04032.

Threats of concocting news items for the '54 column brought a deluge of responses from classmates. If you don't see your news in this issue it will follow in a later one. ...**Mikko Eklin** writes from Finland where he is with the Ministry of Finance. He has just spent two years with the Ministry of Economic Planning in The Gambia and finds tremendous contrast between The Gambia which is trying to recover from the effects of droughts and economic mismanagement and Finland where the economy is in its 10th year of growth. His address: Nuottapolku 6, SF-00330, Helsinki. ...**Roger Chapin** is the founder and president of "Citizens for a Drug Free America," an action group with a practical solution to the drug crisis. The drug war bonds idea supported by Roger has been introduced in Congress. His effort is endorsed by celebrities such as Bill Cosby, Michael Landon and Lloyd Bridges. For information, write to Roger at 2230 George Marshall Drive, Suite 123, Falls Church, VA 22043. ...**Pierre Hemon** joined the ranks of the retired two years ago. After 30 years of teaching French and Spanish, he is enjoying fishing, sailing and skiing. His wife Rosemarie works as a part-time travel agent and the perks include travel abroad and domestically. ...**Erik Ryge-Jensen** (Smoke) divides his "present" life into five categories: 1) His own public relations firm, Dialogue, Inc.; 2) The Royal Danish Air Force Reserve; 3) Editing the Scandinavian Travel Trade Magazine, *Take Off*; 4) International Tour Director for a major daily in Copenhagen for which he conducts four worldwide tours yearly; and 5) the Copenhagen business radio station where he is senior anchorman on an early morning radio program. Smoke should have added a sixth, because his household includes wife Inge and four girls age 17 and one 19 (his and her children). He admits to raising his voice to clear the premises of courting swain. "But it's a lovely life," he muses. ...**Barbara Slate Abbott** teaches English as a Second Language at a community college in Hilton, N.Y. In addition, she and husband Jack spend time traveling and at their cottage in the Thousand Islands. Children and grandchildren live close by. ...**Dick** and Mary Ann **Bourbeau** enjoyed a mini 35th reunion in California with **Karl** and **Lois Robinson Limbach, Bill** and Pat (Gibbs) '55 **Carpenter** and **Rem** and Louise **Burbank.** Dick has just retired after a career of 30 years with Eastman Kodak. Like many of our classmates, he has taken to the water and completed a trip up the Potomac from Washington to Philadelphia. Other activities include riding and hunting with the Potomac Hunt Club. ...More nautical news! **Lesley Harper Reiland**, with Nathaniel Carleton, sailed a 43-foot ketch from Fort Lauderdale to Boston. Even though most of the sailing world was going south at that time, Lesley is glad to be back in Boston and would welcome visiting classmates at Marina, 66 Long Wharf, Boston, MA 02110. ...**Tim Mason** is still busy with Washington Inventory Service. Whatever can be counted they will inventory. When not counting things, Tim can be found plying the waters of the Missouri River. Home is Box 4356, Omaha, NB 68104. ...**Bob Gleason** spent the fall and winter terms at MIT doing research in organic chemistry. He commuted to Middlebury weekends. ...A new address for **Don** and **Pat Masterton Drew** is M223, 9009 Avondale Road N.E., Redmond, WA 98952. The Drews have consolidated their living space from 12 to four rooms. They've lost a lawn and garden but gained weight so now they spend time walking and doing aerobics. Business is still good for the Drews and they invite your call if you're in town. ...**Erica Child Prud'Homme** is painting and still living in New York City. Her volunteer work involves concerns with art programs for inner city kids and elderly, retaining women's reproductive rights and freedom of choice and ecological problems. Your correspondent, **Cecily Mattocks Marshall**, observed that the autumn issue of the *Middlebury Magazine* contained an article, "Building in a Landscape," written by Erica's son, Alex '84. ...Classmates with offspring at the College include **Peg Cooper Heald** (son Richard '91 and daughter Margaret '92); **Marcia Kraft Goin** (daughter Jessica '90); **Tom Ryan** (son Ragan '91); and **Bert Welling** (son David '90).

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Alton H. Bassett (Joan Tolley), 73 Harriet Drive, Princeton, NJ 08540, and John H. Denny, Sr., 44 Nassau St., Suite 301, Princeton, NJ 08540.*

Gus Bramante writes that a ski hut in the Tenth Mountain Division Trail near Vail, Colo., will be constructed to honor **Les Streeter**. In fall 1989, Gus won his first golf trophy—the seniors net championship at Hackensack Golf Club. "Not bad for a 14," he says. We agree. ...At Homecoming '89, **Frank Punderson** was recognized for his contribution to the founding of varsity soccer at Middlebury. The Frank Punderson Cup will be presented each year to the winner of the alumni-varsity soccer game, and kept in the trophy case at Midd. ...**Jo Jo Kittell Gallagher** had a hectic—but satisfying—end of '89. Her youngest, Lynn, graduated from Penn State in August. Youngest son Chris was married September 30—on top of Whiteface Mountain. And Jo Jo won a Presidential Award for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching. She spent a week in Washington, D.C., with the other honorees, reporting that "both the president and vice president were at the news conference in the Rose Garden—and Mrs. Bush stayed and shook hands with every single one of us." (See the story elsewhere on this page.) ...**Russ Smith** sent us a picture of himself, along with Frank Freer '54 and a 240-pound tuna they caught in the Mud Hole 12 miles off Manasquan, N.J. The tall one was the tuna! Russ would welcome additional "adventure" photos (or family ones) for our 35th Reunion headquarters, where there will be details of these and other exciting events. See you June 1-3!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Julia A. King, RR 2, Box 99C, Peterborough, NH 03458, and Edward P. MacDowell, 29 Nimitz Place, Old Greenwich, CT 06870.*

To get first-hand earthquake reports from classmates, we called some '56 California residents. **William Hartnett** was in Palo Alto on business during the quake, but his 1878 home—built on a rock vein—was undamaged. The devastation we witnessed on TV occurred only one mile away. ...**Tom Papke**, down in Los Angeles, felt nothing of this quake, but remembered several "good ones" in the past. He says that this one reminded other Californians to stock up on first aid kits, drinking water and other emergency supplies for home and car. Tom is still involved in celebrity management. ...**Rodney Reid** reported the quake was the "worst I ever felt," even though his home was not damaged. Rodney's office building in the Bay Area was built to withstand earthquakes, with pilings sunk down to bedrock. After-shocks on already weakened buildings were a serious problem. Rodney sent a clipping which pointed out the irony of "big name eastern newscasters" arriving at the Marina district in limos, eating fresh fruit, while San Franciscans lined up for water brought in by the thousands of cases by beer companies. One good aspect of the quake was that Rodney heard for the first time in years from old friends and relatives. ...**Mike Podell** was "out for ice cream" during our call, but wife Natale reported that down on the peninsula, about 25 minutes from downtown San Francisco, they "had no effects whatever." Son Nick '84 works with Mike in the family business, while their fourth son, Alex, is now a sophomore at Midd and "loving it." ...Quakes of a different sort were felt by at least one classmate, following the upheaval in China. "Hopkins Thrown Out of China," reads the headline of an AP story, referring to **Mark Hopkins**, who works for the Voice of America. Mark was accused of "distorting the facts" of the country's martial law and of spreading propa-

Gallagher honored as one of nation's top science teachers

Joanne Kittell Gallagher '55 was selected last fall as the winner of a Presidential Award for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching. Gallagher, a teacher for 18 years in the Brittonkill, N.Y., school district, won the science award for teachers from New York State, becoming one of 112 science and math teachers honored nationwide — two from each state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and other U.S. territories. A teacher at the Tamarac Middle School, she was also one of only a handful of middle school teachers to be honored; most of the award winners were high school teachers. Gallagher and the other award winners were the guests of President Bush for a week in Washington that included workshops on science and mathematics teaching, and a news conference in the White House Rose Garden attended by the president, the vice president, and First Lady Barbara Bush. Teachers are nominated for the award by other teachers, and the selections are made by a board of educators and former award recipients, with the winners each year chosen based on their work as teachers, essays they submit, and their ideas for using the $7,500 grant that comes with each award. Gallagher's plan was to use the money to help set up a nature preserve on 45 acres of previously unused school property. "I'm excited personally and I'm pleased for our school district," said Gallagher. "I would have never been able to do the things that got me this award if I had not been teaching at Tamarac."

Joanne Kittell Gallagher '55 with three of her Tamarac Middle School science students.

ganda. Mark reports that the Chinese people do not seem to be buying the government line. ...**Pete Strife** and **Ned MacDowell** were treated with a 1951 set of high school football plays sent by **Dick Powell**. Dick reports that he has had enough of 10-mile runs—now it's 50 miles on his bike! ...**Jane Hallenbeck Zecher** has a Midd freshman in Heidi, their youngest. With the advent of the empty nest Jane hopes to do a lot of traveling, which she began with a fascinating trip to Budapest. Jane reports an extremely successful opening of a tile showroom in New Jersey, which features hand-painted custom tiles and murals. ..."I'm not retired, just not teaching." writes **Nanca Marvin Hall**. She and husband Hugh, an artist, find wintering in Nevis (a small island southeast of Puerto Rico) is good both for Nanca's writing and Hugh's art work. The island has a "totally different way of living: customs, food, flora, fauna, etc.," and they love setting their own pace—like being able to read the newspaper over the morning cup of coffee. ...**Pat Hunter Highley** has announced the arrival of her first grandchild, Samantha, born to daughter Deborah '80. Pat finds being a grandmother is super special, "much more fun than I ever imagined." Pat is still the librarian at Poughkeepsie High School. Last summer Pat visited her sister Joan Hunter Kent '51 and youngest daughter Carolyn '86 on the West Coast. Her vacation also featured a drive along the Oregon coast and through the redwoods. Next time, British Columbia! ...**Tom Feininger**, having carried out a geophysical survey in Labrador, was transferred last summer to Quebec, "the most interesting and pleasant city in the Western Hemisphere." Tom's work with the Geological Survey of Canada now has him involved in a long-range project of geological mapping in the Canadian Shield, northward from Quebec City. "Home front: two daughters in university, third not too far behind." Recent Middlebury events were attended by the following classmates: Alumni Leadership Conference and Donor Dinner in New York, **Mona Meyers Wheatley**; Gordie Perine Alumni Golf Tournament, **John Hammond**; WRMC 40th Anniversary Dinner and Homecoming, **Mathew Baker**; Homecoming Alumni Reception, **Jane Hallenbeck Zecher**; Alumni Donor Dinner in New York, **Judith Tichenor Fulkerson**.

A vacation-reunion in Bermuda brought together this class of '57 coven: in front, Patricia Judah Palmer and Catherine Rock Fallon; in back, Alexandrine Post Koontz, Margaret Houck Smith, Pamela Clark Reilly, Barbara Ransom Payne and Sabra Harwood Field.

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Class Secretaries: *Dr. and Mrs. Wayne G. Reilly (Pam Clark), 1339 Biscayne Road, NW, Roanoke, VA 24019.*

Townsend Hoen has left United Lithographic Services of Washington, D.C., to become executive vice president of the Independent College Fund of Maryland. ...**Ken Farrar** has accepted a position with the International Tennis Federation to oversee officiating of all Grand Slam and Davis Cup events beginning in 1990. ...**Betsy Mathewson Bailey** had a very eventful year, including two family weddings in six months (son John and daughter Becca) and a major renovation project on their Falls Church house. Betsy also continues to teach adults English as a second language. ...Another Virginian, **Zip Rausa** continues as editor of *Wings of Gold*, a publication of the Association of Naval Aviation. He writes that he recently had the opportunity to ride along with Navy submarine-hunters over the Norwegian Sea and encountered, "from a very safe distance," a pair of Soviet bombers. ...**Mary Evelyn (M.E.) LaPierre Rhea** is enjoying her business travels, holding meetings for business credit managers around the country. M.E. recommends that we attempt a one-shot expanded newsletter for the Class of '57. That sounds like a good project to undertake prior to our 35th Reunion in 1992. ...**Barbara McLaren Smithson** reports that Midd picked up her new address two years ago, but not her new name. By way of belated apology, we offer congratulations on your marriage, Barbara. ...Uli and **Mary Ullmann Kruse** are in the midst of their 30th year at the University of Illinois where Uli teaches physics. Their children—Sarah, Tom and Julie—are all out of school and now on their own. The Kruses are looking forward to a change from the flat Midwest as they plan a sabbatical leave next year in Vancouver, British Columbia. ...**Bob Telfer** and wife Kay took a three-week trip to Spain to visit their daughter during her foreign study program there. They also managed to include a visit to Italy and did some skiing in Switzerland. Congratulations to Bob and Kay who will celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary this year. ...**Ollie Morton** is working for the Shell Oil Company in Houston, Texas. Your secretaries were able to come by this news by means of a message sent through a Hollins admissions officer who had met Ollie at a college fair program in Texas. ...**Patricia (Trish) Kane** has moved back to Austin, after 11 years in San Diego. She reports that she has bought a new house and hopes to take life a little slower. (Sounds good to us.) ...**Betsy Hauck Thumann** wrote that she was looking forward to seeing **P.D. Quinlan Dawson** at the wedding of P.D.'s son, Eric, in Los Angeles where Betsy lives. ...**Gretchen Heide Warner** and her husband, also Californians, celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary a year ago. Gretchen says that she continues to enjoy her work as an educational therapist. She also reports that she recently ran across some old Middlebury recordings: "Just Around the Corner," "Jumping Juniper," "Red Chariot" and a Dissipated Eight recording. O my, don't those titles bring back memories. Gretchen says she would be glad to give the records to anyone who needs them to complete a collection. We hope that Gretchen will bring them to our 35th Reunion and then perhaps contribute them to the College's archives. ...**Alita Davis Pirkopf** wrote that she had a great visit with **Jay (Junior) Everest Harrison** and **Ann Boyer** in Denver. Alita also reported a happy recognition of one of **Sabra Harwood Field**'s works in a neighbor's living room. ...Several of the Weybridge Witches (as they have been known since sophomore year) gathered in Bermuda for a 35th Reunion in October. Attendees were Eric and **Peggy Houck Smith, Charlie** and **Pat Judah Palmer**, Pete and **Barbara Ransom Payne, Xanie Post Koontz**, Spencer and **Sabra Harwood Field**, Bill and **Cathy Rock Fallon** and **Wayne** and **Pam Clark Reilly**. A picture of the Witches, attired in appropriate hats, will surely be on display at our next reunion. ...Some of our classmates have a particularly good reason to get back to Midd often, since they are parents of current students. Among this happy, if poorer, band are **Richard Cardwell, Margaret Edwards Cronin, James Evans**, the omnipresent **Pat** and **Charlie Palmer, Fred Raskopf** (two children), **Pete Webber** (two children) and **Bob Witte**. We know that members of our class get back to Midd for Homecoming and other special events, but now that we are into the decade of the '90s we want you all to PLAN '92!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Arthur E. Crowley, Jr. (Mary Roemmele), 24 Giorgetti Blvd., Rutland, VT 05701, and Joseph E. Mohbat, 551 Pacific St., Brooklyn, NY 11217.*

Hoping against a recurrence over the months until this sees print, we turned to our northern California classmates to learn how the "Pretty Big One" of 5:04 p.m., October 17, 1989, had touched them. No casualties, thanks to clean living and a Middlebury education, but some indelible moments. Herewith the '58 '89 Quake Symposium: "I was working in our Oakland office just two blocks west of where the I-880 freeway collapsed," recalls **Bill Simpson.** "We're used to smaller temblors or minor quakes, but this one just kept getting stronger and stronger and then things in the office started toppling over and the power went out." **Phil Ormsbee** was driving through Berkeley, "heading for my tiny pied-a-terre in time to watch the death throes of the Giants in Game 3 of the World Series. Bam! The steering wheel spun right, then left, and I thought I'd blown a tire. But old wooden telephone poles were bumping and grinding, wires snapping together, on what moments earlier had been an eerily still, hot day. Old California hand here knew he was in an earthquake. Big time earthquake." **Ann Parnie Ormsbee**, a paralegal in a San Francisco firm (32nd floor), recalls "my office rolling like a ship in a storm as I lurched drunkenly away from windows, down the hall, and under a table—my heart beating a prayer with no words." On the third floor of the Stanford University Hospital, **Diana Chmielewski Diamond** was conferring with a colleague. "It takes what seems like several seconds to understand what is happening. The room started shaking and the giant hanging planter outside the window started swinging back and forth. One of us said, 'We are having an earthquake.' The floor felt as if it were moving simultaneously up and down and back and forth. We literally hugged each other and the doorway frame to maintain our balance. Bookshelves were tumbling down. Desk drawers were swinging open and shut. Lamps and other objects were falling. The hanging plant was swinging more wildly." *Simpson*: "When we stepped outside I saw the collapsed freeway with all the concomitant damage and several long dark plumes of smoke beginning to rise over Oakland." *Phil Ormsbee*: "Now people were lining the streets, pointing skyward, as I negotiated the last half-mile to my apartment. Two women occupants of the 10-unit complex were locked in a tearful embrace in the middle of the courtyard. The first of several aftershocks struck, and I told them to stay there." Cable TV and phones were out, although Phil's son managed to get through after 10 p.m. to report he and Ann were safe. Ann, blessed with sneakers for the 64 flights down, had meanwhile hooked up with an acquaintance, and the pair cajoled another colleague into driving them to the East Bay. "I recall the cautious helter-skelter of traffic with no signal lights; streams of pedestrians uncertain where to go; lines of people at phone booths waiting to call loved ones; the faint smell of leaking gas; the unfamiliar darkness in restaurants and stores. I remember the intense desire within myself for 'home' and the bewilder-

Here's what Diana Diamond's office at Stanford University looked like the morning after the earthquake that struck the San Francisco Bay area on October 17, 1989.

ment when my brain was too numb to provide me with familiar phone numbers." Ann couldn't make it to the Golden Gate Bridge that night; she and her companion spent the night at the home of a stranger in San Francisco. She would get home to Concord next morning at 11. *Diana Diamond*: "We closed drawers and lifted bookshelves and stepped over piles of paper to get into the hallway, and raced down the three flights. Once outside, the unusually high 80-degree temperatures of the day made the earthquake seem unreal. I was still shaking as I walked to my car." She didn't observe much damage and spent 55 minutes negotiating the four miles to her intact home. *Bill Simpson* works for a big construction products firm: "When our employees began to make their way back to our plant, they immediately took some of our equipment to the disaster scene, where they went to work with the emergency rescue units and other volunteers. We had fork lifts and one truck with a 30-foot conveyor boom on it, which was especially helpful. Our men worked past midnight. Some of you may have seen them interviewed on the '20/20' show several evenings later. We are very proud of their achievements and helpfulness." *Ormsbee*, district secretary for the Bay Area's rapid rail system, is equally proud of his outfit: "BART's trans-Bay tube was closed for post-quake inspection but reopened at 3:30 the next morning. The entire 71-mile, 34-station system escaped virtually unscathed, and it carried nearly 300,000 passengers on Monday, October 23, about 80,000 more than normal." *Diamond:* "Amazingly, no one on campus was hurt. I saw bookcases in small offices tumbled over chairs and desks; for whatever reason, no one had been sitting in those chairs at the time. I felt I was on some gigantic movie set. We went into office after office next day only to see half-eaten sandwiches, cups of coffee, still-running computers. It was as if at 5:04 p.m. the previous day life had suddenly disappeared, and all that was left were these signs of life. Eerie. Weird." Aftermath: *Ann Ormsbee*, returning to work Friday morning: "Grey morning sky...wisps and strips of light-filled clouds...a small flock of birds...a few ducks in the canal, bobbing for breakfast. I savor the delicate peace as I walk, remembering the blood-red sunset three days ago in the stricken city, the sun itself bright red in the last few minutes before it disappeared below the smoky skyline. I feel a sense of joy and relief to see trains running on schedule. I feel a brief touch of grief deep within—tears yet unshed over pain, loss and horror experienced by others that I cannot yet assimilate. The sidewalk feels good beneath my feet. Thirty-two floors: What strange arrogance to build a world so high, above ground so pregnant with disaster! My stomach twists with fear when I think of returning to the possibility of more—of 'The Big One.' And yet, in spite of, or perhaps because of all these memories and feelings, I know this: life is a fine and valuable gift." *Simpson*: "My family and I suffered only minor inconveniences after the quake, but it gave us all a pretty good first-hand glimpse of how powerful the forces of nature can be. I still wouldn't want to live anywhere else, though!" *Diamond*: "I tend to be calm about things, and to handle life's challenges reasonably well. The aftershocks unglued some of that confidence. Most of us here felt about 10 or 15. In many ways, the aftershocks were much more psychologically debilitating than the earthquake itself. An earthquake happens and it's over. The aftershocks linger on. I found myself listening for noises. Slamming doors and the resulting minor tremor would make me stop in mid-speech. Taking a shower in the morning suddenly became a vulnerable situation—in a bathtub with glass shower doors, glass windows, nude and with wet hair." *Phil Ormsbee*: "Next day, I found my office on the fifth floor of BART's Oakland headquarters building to be a shambles. Anything breakable broke, cabinets overturned, drawers on the floor. I was fortunate to have been on the road when the quake struck. People lived. People died. The Great Quake of '89 has left an indelible mark on all of us in the Bay Area. But nobody's leaving." *Diana Diamond*: "We lose our fears very rapidly. One earthquake every several years is no more hazardous than the violent Chicago weather conditions. I think that's a fine rationalization." ...Not only are our Californians not leaving, but one—**Buzz Dwinell Calhoon** (oh all right, **Carolyn**), who apparently was more distant from the calamity at her Lafayette home—may well move closer to the danger: "The earth rolled and shook, but the house did fine. It did affect our lives in some ways. We were/are in the process of selling our house, and suddenly prospective buyers found moneylenders to be most reluctant. School was cut off for a couple of days, as was my husband's and daughter's work. We wandered around in beautiful sunshine feeling vaguely guilty. Got a worried call from our son in Tibet, who heard the scary reports there. My husband had the hardest time—works in S.F.—finally got home 2 a.m. after many hours in the dark trying to figure out what was moving—buses, thank goodness! We're in the process of finding a new house and have thought about how close some otherwise attractive places are to the Hayward fault. *(We'll go anyway, I know.)*" ...Leaving the earthquake zone: **Ken Milner** (Albares-20, Parquelagos, 28420 La Navata, Madrid) visited Middlebury after 22 years and was moved to write at length at how little time had changed the college as well as institutions like the Middlebury Inn and Dog Team. He contrasted Madrid's "car-choked streets and noisy aggressiveness and Middlebury's white and green lucid Vermont beauty and serene stillness" and found the difference staggering. ...Bob and **Shirley Whitney Juneo** have finally moved permanently to their Shangri-la on Lake Dunmore, site of our 30th Reunion brunch. Items: It took four months to have a bathroom installed; Shirley is thinking of writing a book called *It All Started with the Cranberry Tub*. All are welcome at 22 W. Shore Road, Salisbury, VT 05679. ...As you noticed in "High notes" last issue, the new executive director of Common Cause for the State of Maine is **Russ Christensen**. He and state chairman Stan Tupper '43 lost an election to limit spending in the governor's campaign. Thanks in part to his daughter, in Costa Rica, Russ is now grandfather to a small female person. ...Kids of these classmates are currently minding the store at your alma mater: **Bob Batal, Lang Bell, Rachel Cutter Bender, Pete Bonner, John Cross, Mary Stein Dominick, Jane Coutant Evans, Rita Chandellier Glavin, Bruce Herlitz, Judith Lawton Kayle, Dave Krugman, Carolyn Mears Long, Mike McDonough, Ted Smith**, and **Fred Tuttle**. All much less savvy and adult than we were at that stage, of course. ...Send news, please. We won't always have earthquakes (where literate classmates are) to help fill this space.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. William W. Locke (Noel Caseley), 1326 Stillwater Road, Lancaster, PA 17601, and Robert J. Hansen, 858 Wickham Way, Ridgewood, NJ 07450.*

Jan Martin Fenwick, our Los Altos, Calif., earthquake survivor, took the time to tell us about it: "On October 17 at 5:04, I was outside near our swimming pool when a tremendous rumbling occurred. The shaking on our hill was so intense I couldn't stand up. I watched an eight-foot wall of water leap out of our pool. Mature oak branches 20 feet high touched the ground. Huge waves of movement undulated across our hill like a conveyor belt, and we felt very fortunate that our new stone and glass home was intact. But the scene inside was chaotic! Everything over three feet high, not attached to walls, fell over. Our kitchen pottery and glassware emptied onto the floor and became mixed with mayonnaise, mint jelly and teriyaki sauce. Bob's entertainment center was upside down, our pond retaining wall had separated and bookshelves were empty. We're now better prepared for another (the big one?): Cabinets are attached to walls, our gas wrench and emergency supplies are ready. Thankful that all we lost were 'things,' we feel it's just part of living in this beautiful spot!" An experience of another dimension came later when she and Bob came to Midd to surprise her daughter who was singing there with her Amherst a cappella group. Fascinating and warm news, Jan. Thanks. ...**Dorrie Landry Bonner** was recently appointed a school liaison by the University of Lowell (Mass.) board of trustees. ...Thanks to chords struck at reunion, **Eleanor Bliss Heurtley** has moved from New York to Middlebury to work in Starr Library at the College. ...**Sue Chapman Hansen** is obviously contributing to quality in American education by teaching English at Ridgefield, N.J., High School, where she requires a rigorous writing program of her 95 students.

The Class of '61 ski trip in February 1989 was reportedly a great success. Among the apres-skiers in Lech, Austria, were (from left) Judy Starbuck Hannemann, Sally Tingle Southard and husband Jim '59, Jeannette (a friend of Judy's who came in Jodey Lenfestey's place) and Sally Gibbs McLaughlin.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Donald J. Mulvey (Nancy Mumford), 104 High Plain Road, Andover, MA 01810, and Dr. Michael J. Robinson, 153 Powers Road, Sudbury, MA 01776.*

This is the last column to appear before our 30th Reunion, June 1-3, 1990. Mark these words and go mark your calendars right now. With **Debby Hodge** and **Vcevy Strekalovsky** as our chief organizers, it's bound to be great. Over 40 veterans of previous reunions have already said they're coming, at our column deadline months in advance. ...Hoping to join us is **Louisa Potts Salmon**. "Pottsie's" nest emptied in the fall when her son entered Dickinson College; her daughter is a junior at Indiana University at Bloomington. Even though her children have left the public school system, Louisa is serving another year as president of the Erie County (Pa.) PTA Council. Now that's dedication! She and husband Jim, a retired neurosurgeon who farms full time, are also active in their church's hands-on efforts to help others. Most recently this has involved trips to Haiti and to South Carolina to construct and re-construct homes for hurricane victims. ...**Charlie Rand**, still living in Virginia, is a group leader for a retail banking firm. Charlie has four children and keeps in shape by chasing after his twin 5-year-old boys. ...**Bruce Richards** has finished a term as president of the Colorado Gynecologic Society. He and his wife are very proud of their two children, and ecstatic about their new grandchild! Both Charlie and Bruce were at our 25th Reunion and we hope will make it again in June. ...Another doc, our secretary, **Mike Robinson**, is still in a group pediatric practice in Sudbury, Mass., and holds clinical appointments at the three children's hospitals in Boston. He has been a senior clinical instructor at Tufts University School of Medicine and was recently appointed an assistant clinical professor at Boston University Medical School. Mike was recently honored upon completion of 10 years as a trustee of Lawrence Academy in Groton. Amy, his wife of 25 years, is an elementary school teacher and, believe it or not, a shepherd (shepherdess) to two ewes. "All we need is a ram and we'll really be in business!" Their son, Carl (16) is a sophomore at the Rivers School. Mike and Amy are definite for June. ...We've already reported on the "Midd-triculation" of the sons of **Lars Carlson, Ralph Cobb** and **Alan Lamson**. Joining them as members of the class of '93 are (should be some fun Parents' Weekend gatherings) **Bob Cross**' son, Jason; **Dan Durland**'s daughter, Sharon; **Brud Folger**'s daughter, Phoebe; **Aivars Krasts**' son, Evan; **Judy Falby Tuttle**'s daughter, Elizabeth; and David Salisbury, the son of the late **Ruth Brown Salisbury**. ...**John Emory**, with a Midd daughter (Elizabeth '91), launched his son in the opposite direction. John Jr. is a freshman at Stanford University. ...Dudley '59 and **Nona Lyons Livingston** are still happily running their travel agency in Skaneateles, N.Y. A highlight trip for the whole family took them to Tibet in 1988. It took some fast trekking when the borders closed around them! Nona stays fit in every season by swimming, biking, skiing and hiking. Their three children are far-flung: Stephanie (28) teaches in Colombia; Scott (27) works in Maine; and Josh (25) is in the T-shirt business in Seattle. ...Secretary **Nancy Mumford Mulvey** and husband Don also had an Asian adventure with a trip to Hong Kong and China in early 1989. We visited our daughter, Kathy, who was teaching English in Guangzhou, and traveled with her to Beijing. Fascinating. I'm still unable to respond to "how was your trip?" in less than a few hours and will bore all takers at Reunion! ...Michigan being a lot closer than California, his new position as vice president and dean at Aquinas College has made it possible for **Don Chaffee** to contemplate a June trip to Vermont. Don's new address is 1707 Wealthy St., S.E., East Grand Rapids, MI 49506. ...**Jane Goodspeed** has also moved (9 Silver Hill, #13, Natick, MA 01760), but hasn't left her life-long home town. ...**Andrew Braun** inspires our admiration since he serves as the permanent class secretary for his MIT class of 1961. He reports: "MIT closed my department, applied biology, so I had to find some real work. Now work as director of toxicology at a local high tech firm, E.G.&G. Pays better!" ...Good wishes in her new job also to **Deborah Van Hodge**, whose appointment as associate editor of this magazine was announced in a previous issue. ...On the other hand, **Alisoun Macpherson Hodges** officially retired from her job as Town Clerk of Holderness, N.H., in the spring of '89, and spent a wonderful summer hiking and climbing in the White Mountains. Ali still works part time, processing paperwork for the local police department, but can pretty much set her own hours. This allows her to work only on rainy days and when she has nothing else to do! Ali's older daughter, Leslie Wright '84, helps manage the Snow Bowl while doing freelance writing on the side. ...Almost everyone mentioned above is hoping to come back to the hill. If you're still on the fence, remember: Re_nion in J_ne is s_re to be f_n, lots of la_ghs and a s_per, rej_venating time—BUT, as can easily be seen, will not be complete without "u." Don't be among the missing!

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Class Secretaries: *Mary Jo Aagerstoun, 1716 U St. N.W., Washington, DC 20009, and William F. Wallace III, 14 Muirfield Place, New Orleans, LA 70131.*

After 13 years in Houston, **Bill** and **Ajka Cebe Habersky Wallace** recently moved to a big house (new address at the top of the column) in New Orleans, where Bill has become a Texaco regional vice president. Bill says they are "ready to receive '61ers who want to experience Mardi Gras—or the Big Easy any time of year." The Wallaces' three sons are scattered: Bill, a mechanical engineer, is in San Jose, Calif.; Noel, who has just completed training for Colgate Palmolive, is now in Johannesberg, South Africa; and Trent matriculated at the University of Colorado. ...**Bill Reger** recently appeared in a newspaper series on Bethany, Orange and Woodbridge, Conn., clergy. Bill's 300-member United Church of Christ congregation in Bethany was founded in 1762. Bill, who has been its pastor since 1973, says in the article that he knew he would be a minister by the time he was 15. ...**Paul Palermino** has been elected to a three-year seat on the Walpole, Mass., board of selectmen. Paul has been active in local Walpole civic affairs for some time, having served as a chairman of the town's finance and capital budget committees. Paul's chief concerns are to encourage better planning and control of the town's development, with special emphasis on taking care of Walpole's watershed. Says Paul: "How can we protest the State putting a landfill in our backyard if we can't keep our own water clean?" ...**Lloyd Pomeroy**'s new address is 645 North Tazewell St., Arlington, VA 22203; phone (703) 243-9562. And he has a new job as a substance abuse counselor at the well-respected Phoenix program in the Northern Virginia suburbs of D.C. Lloyd reports he is very happy in this new career since, as a recovering alcoholic, he feels his experiences allow him to bring some important reality-based insights to his work with Phoenix patients. Before moving into this very special helping profession last year, Lloyd spent some time working with **Ted Mooney** on a real estate project. Says Lloyd: "I have had a lot of help along the way. I would like to acknowledge Ted and Marge Mooney and their family for their positive influence in my life: I love you!" Lloyd especially asked us to publish these comments: "Six years ago I stopped drinking because alcohol was messing up my life. About a year ago it became clear to me that I am an alcoholic. I did what I needed to do and wouldn't change it for the world. I have experienced many changes in the recent past. I am divorced, after a 21-year marriage. I am acquiring a new set of friends. I have worked through a post-traumatic stress syndrome whose roots lie in my youth, and also in the two years I spent in Vietnam. I am poor, as the world sees those things, but I have more peace of

mind than I have ever known. I have an interest in creative visualization, dowsing, Reiki healing and firewalking. I know the sun dance. I value the earth and the moon and the 12 steps, and am looking for a woman with similar or compatible values." ...The annual legacy watch shows an impressive array of 23 '61 offspring in all four Midd classes. Meredith Binder (**MJ**'s daughter) and Karen Tiedemann (**Carole Pringle Tiedemann**'s daughter) will graduate in June with the class of '90. Juniors (class of '91) include Jeremy **Braddock** (**Bob**'s son); George **Colpitts** Jr. (**George Sr.**'s son); Holly **Fryberger** (**Jerry** and **Carol** [**Nicholson**]'s daughter); Laura **Greco** (**Bill**'s daughter); and Scott **Westerbeke** (**Fran** [**Blick**] and **Jack**'s son). Sophomores (class of '92) include James **Christian** (**Roger**'s son); Rebecca **Clark** (**Randy**'s daughter); Marlena **Faxon** (**Linny**'s daughter); Jennifer **Kaufman** (**Lee**'s daughter); Nathaniel Bryan (**Diane Bayles Malmgren**'s son); **Sharon Hostler**'s son, Dylan Dimock; and another **Tiedemann** offspring, Dana. New Freshmen ('93) include another of **Diane Bayles Malmgren**'s sons, David Bryan; **Holly McKenzie**'s son, Jason Cross; **Linda Leighton Harrison**'s son, Steven; Daniel Suratt, **Judy Hole Suratt**'s stepson; **Judy Starbuck Hannemann**'s son, Jeff; **Bob Fryberger**'s son, Robert; yet another **Fryberger**, **Carol** and **Jerry**'s daughter, Sarah; **Tom Dabney**'s son, Thomas; and **Harthon Bill**'s daughter, Lara. *Congratulations!*. ...Remember the Ski Trip we were all urged to go on in February '89? Well, it sounds like it was really great, according to the first account received from **Sally Gibbs McLaughlin** (Bless you, Sal!). Sal also has the distinction of being the first classmate to send photos since we took over this job—can you believe—nearly four years ago! Participants in the trip with Sally included **Judy Starbuck Hannemann, Sally Tingle Southard** and husband Jim '59, Jeannette (a friend of Judy's who came in **Jodey Lenfestey**'s place), **Tee Newsom, Steve** and Sue Comstock '63 **Crampton, Carolyn Bennett Wood**, Dexter and **Jeannie Rau Dawes**, Marge and **Harvey Gray**, and Peggy and Kevin (not **Dario**) Quiros. Sally writes: "Kevin broke his arm skiing into a ravine, but wasn't too distressed as he sat next to Clint Eastwood who signed his cast on the trip home. Mostly I went cross country skiing—incredibly beautiful and the first time I have done it. I am really proud of myself that I don't need to encounter danger any more to have a good time. The place where we stayed was great—the food and atmosphere incredible, and the most fun was when we got a whole room to ourselves for fondue and toasts and dancing and wine-wine-wine!" The next scheduled reconvening of the "bright and shinies" is in Lech again in 1993—put it on your calendar. Sally says she "can't wait for our 30th" a year from now. *Put that on your calendars, too.* What do you think about this rumination from Sally: "I got up early this morning and took out *Dimensions* to reminisce. We really are an impressive class, not just for our accomplishments, but for the depth of our inner growth. Do you suppose this is true of most college graduates or are we really special? I feel still, after 11 years in Tidewater, that we Midd kids are different, at least from the folks down here." ...**John McConnell** writes that he has been made temporarily homeless by the San Francisco earthquake. John sends along a post office box address: P.O. Box 14683, San Francisco, CA 94114. Says John: "One of the great pleasures in this past year has been my renewed contact with Middlebury and fellow classmates!" We hope that SF earthquake didn't negatively affect any other classmates, and that John will be squared away soon in new digs. ...'61ers attending Midd alum functions recently included **Bob Barry** who signed in at a reception in Burlington in September; **Randy Clark** who went to Homecoming in October; and **Tee Newsom** who attended the alumni donor dinner at the Pierre in Manhattan in November. ...We were saddened to hear of the death on October 20, 1989, of **Eldred Farrell.** An obituary appears elsewhere in this issue. Classmates who wish to express condolences to Eldred's mother may write Mrs. Harriet Farrell, 81 Longwood Road, Quincy, MA 02169. ...By the time you see this, the famous "green sheets" will have been in your possession for several months. We hope most of them will be all filled out and in our hands. If you haven't sent yours back yet—just do it! And follow **Sally McLaughlin**'s example—send photos!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Allen L. Bridges (Anne Thornton), HCR 68, Box 44, S. Woodstock Road, Woodstock, VT 05091, and Dr. John F. Sinclair, 482 Woodbury Road, Springfield, VT 05156.*

Welcome to our second half century! Most of the 1962 crowd have either experienced the big 50 milestone or are approaching it all too quickly. ...Several of the group made it to Homecoming in October to applaud **Marian Matheke Melish**'s receiving the 1989 Alumni Achievement Award. Also in attendance were **Nancy Gould Clark, Peter Steinle** and **Peter McLagan**. Marian's accomplishments were outlined in a previous issue of *Middlebury Magazine*, but we include here some quotes from the citation read in her honor at the Alumni Dinner: "Marian Matheke Melish has always taken the path less traveled by, thereby making the difference. From inner city Newark to English major at Middlebury to medical school at Yale to Scientist of the Year in Hawaii, she has followed a highly personal and internal roadmap.... She has been honored for her teaching and her research. Most of all, she is admired for her optimism, her dedication and her unrelenting search for solutions." ...**Mike Kulick**, who lives with his family in West Hartford, Conn., has joined the law firm of August, Moran, Lazorik and Schuster in Avon and Simsbury, Conn. He has 22 years of estate planning and estate settlement experience. ...In addition to his untiring attention to his Democratic Party responsibilities, **Ron Brown** has agreed to serve on the Presidential Search Committee—for President Robison's replacement, that is! ...**John Greenman** has a fascinating work environment. He is a visitor aide for the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. John's address is 101 Stratford Road, #19, Williamsburg, VA 23185. ...**Judy Thomas Durkee** lives in Lakewood, Colo., west of Denver (1340 Yarrow, #113, 80215), but commutes to Fort Collins, north of Denver to operate Durkee's Mart, which she also owns. Sounds like a very busy daily routine! ...**Mike Sevareid** has left southern California for Warrensburg, in central Missouri. His new address is 803 Meadowbrook Drive, #104 (64093). ...The Class of 1993 has several offspring of our class (to add to quite a number of upperclass students). New additions to the Parents' Weekend nostalgia experience are **John** and **Pamela Kauffman Graham**, parents of Elizabeth; **Doug Kirkwood**, father of Ian; **Jean Yeomans Lamson** and (Al '60), whose son is James; **Peter Leone**, father of Sairey, a transfer student; **Victor Micati**, father of Heather; and **Denny Williams**, whose daughter Gisela completes the roster of 1962 kids.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. R. Peter Johnson (Jane Bachelder), 625 Talamini Road, Bridgewater, NJ 08807, and Robert W. Clarke, 63 Mountain Road, Hampden, MA 01036.*

Russell Barnum has a new job title at Williamstown (Vt.) High School. He has been guidance director at the school and is now facilitator of pupil services. ...Dr. **John Iacovino** is medical director at General Reassurance Corporation in Stamford, Conn. He recently moved to 3 Orchard Hill Road, Westport, CT 06880. In his spare time, John writes as regional editor of the *Journal of Insurance Medicine*. ...Dr. **David Howell** has joined the staff at the University of Vermont as professor of psychology and interim dean. His new address is 120 Knoll Circle, South Burlington, VT 05403. ...**Christopher Baker** has moved to 5822 Madaket Road, Bethesda, MD 20816. ...Chris is director of corporate development and planning at the World Council of Credit Unions in Washington, D.C. Since 1974, he has been involved in the development of credit unions in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean. ...**Anna Panayotou** recently joined the law firm of Shearman & Sterling in New York City as senior attorney. She still resides in Bronxville. ...**Bill Fisher** (2324 Lucky John Drive, Park City, UT 84060) has moved from one ski slope to another. Bill is still with WICAT Systems as vice president of marketing. WICAT pioneered the use of the computer as a teaching instructor in classrooms across the country. ...**Charles Baxter** has relocated from Nashua, N.H., to the warm, sunny coast of Florida (P.O. Box 26351, Tamarag, FL 33320). Charlie works with Encore Computer. ...**Barbara Dickey Hoffman** is the "fulfillment manager" at ETR Associates in Santa Cruz, Calif. Educational Training and Research Associates publishes and distributes books and materials in family life education, reproductive health, sex and substance abuse, and AIDS. She continues to live near the beach and enjoys hiking and camping trips with the family whenever time allows. ...Dr. **Bob Wright**, professor of mathematics at the University of Vermont, has moved to R.R. 2, Charlotte, VT 05445. Bob and his new wife still like to walk and ski the byways of the Champlain Valley. He plays occasional chamber music with friends, when "they promise to play loudly." ...**Susan Comstock Crampton** has been chosen by the College to serve on the trustee search committee in the selection of the new College president.

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Class Secretaries: *Ms. Patricia Lynch Demas, 9162 Eves Circle, Roswell, GA 30076, and Robert J. Baskin, 87-T Olive St., New Haven, CT 06511.*

Our class continues the tradition of having children who attend the College on the Hill. The legacies who have entered the Class of 1993 are Jenny Randolph, daughter of **Biff Fink**; Seth Heaton, son of **Diana Sargent Heaton**; Andrew Levinson, son of **Eliot Levinson**; and Charles Sprigman, son of **Charles (Jeff) Sprigman**. Our class can now claim 18 sons and daughters currently attending Middlebury—an admirable record! ...**Claire Waterhouse Gargalli** has been chairman and chief executive of Equibank in Pittsburgh since 1987. She achieved that position after 23 years with Fidelity Bank in Philadelphia. Claire is looked upon in the banking industry as one of the potential leaders of the 1990s. ...**Ian Sanderson**, who moved to Virginia and opened a business selling to construction companies shortly before the

reunion, has returned to the construction business itself. He and his daughter are enjoying Virginia. ...Dr. **Edwin Naylor** is director of Clinical Genetics Laboratories, department of medical genetics, at West Penn Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa. He and his wife, Judy, reside in Mt. Lebanon, Pa., where Ed coaches boys' soccer. His two sons are members of the state teams. ...**Tom Hoopes** has traveled all over the world searching for the skills and knowledge he exhibits in his craft—the making of handmade canvas and leather bags, suit carriers, and turn-of-the-century hammocks. He has returned to New Hampshire where his beloved hobby is also his means of support. ...When Middlebury held a reception last September at the Community Boat house on Lake Champlain, our class was represented by **Lynne Webster Nalchajian, Bob Skiff, Tim Hayward** and **Kit Telfair Wright**. **Joan Smith Rideout** joined alums on a Lake Champlain cruise last August. **Dennis Meehan** attended the Alumni College in Boston in late September. And finally, an item worthy of special note: **Mike Devlin** and his wife, Laurie, have announced the birth of their daughter, Paige Elizabeth, on July 21, 1989.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Hamilton S. Gregg (Carolyn Breckenridge), 225 Rector Place, #16B, New York, NY 10280, and Frederick W. Stetson, 10 W. Canal St., Winooski, VT 05404.*

Judith Ellen Whatmore Arnold, who lives in Temple, Texas, is still at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor where she has "more duties in Spanish and less in English as a second language—a refreshing change. I'm very active as an AFS district representative, and chapter president, and enjoying life tremendously." ...To reach **Carol Burr**, write 4798 Songbird Lane, Chico, CA 95926. "The new address is a house my husband and I (we were married December 16, 1989) designed and built last year," Carol tells us. "I was elected president of the California State University English Council, an organization of English department administrators. I was in Vermont last winter and couldn't believe I had lived there!" ...**Sue Scammell Carpenter**, who received her master's from Smith College School for Social Work last August, plans to practice psychotherapy. Her oldest son, Scott, is a junior at RPI; and youngest, Peter, is a freshman at Middlebury. "We're enjoying and adjusting to life without children (at least most of the time)." ...**Richard** ("Dick" at-the-time) **Conant** continues to present "marketing-oriented one-day seminars. Now in my ninth year of piling up frequent-flier mileage, some of which I'll use to come back for the 25th. And I'm in my 12th year of hoping that the LA smog is rendered harmless by the sea breezes I breathe down at the beach, living in Venice, Calif." ...After 20 years with AT & T, **Mike Demas** (Fremont, Calif.) "left to join Octel Communications, a manufacturer of voice mail equipment. I'm responsible for the marketing department of a division which sells to telephone companies (and more). I'm enjoying California but miss Atlanta, my last port of call. My ex (Pat Lynch Demas '64) and I are working together to help our daughter decide on college for next year." ...**Lynn Haberstock DeMont** writes from Phoenixville, Pa., that she has reached a milestone—her 10th year of teaching in a Waldorf School. Lynn has two daughters in college and a son in high school. ...**Carol Dickerman**, who moved to Ann Arbor, Mich., about a year ago, says she and her husband enjoy it very much. Working for the Land Tenure Center at the University of Wisconsin, Carol has traveled to Africa several times to work on research projects: "I was in Malawi for several weeks in September, and Uganda for two weeks in November." ...Also from Ann Arbor, **Millicent Crichton Turner** writes: "I am told the reason for having several hundred students in our rental properties around the University of Michigan is to keep from being sad (or even noticing) that our son, Stephen, has left home for the University of Colorado at Boulder! Our daughter, Christina, is still here, a junior, and all of a sudden appreciates those handsome rent payers that come to the door each month. Doug and I are very busy, being full-time managers, maintenance people, surrogate parents, etc., trying to decide whether to take on more or keep it 'Mom and Pop' size. It does keep us young. We call our company Migraine Acres!" ...**Robert Farnsworth** is in his second year as a workers compensation judge, while living in Sacramento, Calif. His wife, Cathy, does civil litigation for the Attorney General's office, representing the State Horse Racing Board. "My oldest daughter, Sara (22), graduated from college and works in Sacramento for a public relations firm; my second daughter, Chenoa, is in her second year of college in Santa Cruz. Meghann (8) and Dylan (4) continue a long tradition of magnetic letters on my refrigerator. We spend most of our weekends at Donner Lake, near Truckee, where we have a vacation house. At 6,500 feet, it receives a lot of snow, and the summers are beautiful, too. See you all at the Reunion." ...Bob and **Angie Goldschmidt Fryberger** (Duluth, Minn.) and their youngest daughter, Melissa, drove son Tiegen '93 to Middlebury last fall. "We had a fun trip and I had forgotten how beautiful Vermont is in the fall. It brought back many wonderful memories, though Midd certainly has changed physically a great deal. We now have a child on each side of the USA. Our oldest, Kristina, is a senior at Oregon State. News from our freshman is that he loves Midd, its people and classes." ...**John Holley** reports from Santa Fe, N.M.: "Travel for Guiness PLC keeps me very busy. Only 300,000 air miles as of the fall of '89. Linda's business (meeting planning and special events) is doing very well and keeps her busy in Santa Fe. Daughter Lynn '91 is spending her junior year in York, England." ...**Jane Henne Grant** writes from Charlemont, Mass.: "Husband Steve continues to teach economics at North Adams State College. I continue to teach Spanish and Latin at the Academy at Charlemont. Kids attend same Academy, which continues to grow (87 students this year) and expand (moved into a new facility this year). We live in Hawley, Mass. (population about 280), with our big dog, Klondike, and continue to grow, pick and sell raspberries. Oldest son, Charlie (15), is beginning to look at colleges; our other sons are Josh (13) and David (11)." ...**Tim Griggs** has a new address: One Walking Woods Drive, Lake Oswego, OR 97035. "After selling real estate in Aspen and Snowmass, Colo., the 'glitzy' nature of the average client finally got to me, and I embarked on a mid-course correction as an airline pilot. A little late to start, but am with a great company and loving it. The next time you're in the Northwest (including Montana and Utah) be sure to fly on Horizon Air. Possibly I will be your pilot. This has been a great change, although we miss our friends in Aspen. Someday, we'll return. See you at the 25th!" ...**Tim Hopf** specializes in internal medicine and geriatrics in Denver, Colo. His wife, Nancy, is an assistant attorney general for the state of Colorado. Their son, Andrew, is in the fifth grade. In their spare time, the Hopfs enjoy skiing, biking, golf, hiking, camping and mountain climbing. "We are very active in our church and Nancy has been president of several major civic and professional organizations," Tim writes. "A lot of the 'glamour' of medical practice has been lost in the '80s. Pleasing patients, their families, the hospital administration, the third-party payers and the professional review organizations simultaneously, while being judged retrospectively for what you should have done when, once the outcome is known, can be a tiresome experience." ...The Rev. **Stanley C. Kemmerer**, who assists at Trinity Church in Concord, Mass., was a guest preacher at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in nearby Bedford last June. Stan is a "non-parochial priest," meaning that his ministry is not parish based. He has been a guest preacher in Illinois, Indiana and Massachusetts. Since 1984, he has also been vice president of Challenger, Grey and Christmas, Inc., a national management consulting firm specializing in corporate outplacement. ...**Eric Kronen** has relocated to the Seattle area, where he is now living at 11824 24th Ave. SE, Mill Creek, WA 98012. He is "still with Viacom Cable and I was promoted to vice president and general manager of the largest cable system in our company. I was also remarried on April 29, 1989, in New York. My wife's name is Gay. We are both intending to be at the Reunion. Look forward to seeing you." ...**Marty Lavin**, who lives in South Hero, Vt., has a townhouse in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., an apartment in Burlington, and 900 acres (which includes Wolf Pond) and a log cabin in the Adirondacks. Marty and his wife, Pat, are the parents of two sons, Adam (14) and Alex (8). Marty is a non-active lawyer and owner of Vortex Properties, which owns income properties in ten states. Also, he's a majority owner of Mortgage Services, Inc., a company operating in eight states. "We vacation primarily in Florida and the Bahamas on our 58-foot motor yacht," Marty writes. "In the midst of a massive renovation of our 1819 stone house on Lake Champlain in South Hero. My business plan includes expansion of our rental properties and mortgage company up and down the East Coast. My family and I lead a wonderful life and are very happy!" ...**Deborah Witherspoon Marbach** writes from Darien, Conn.: "I'm still an assistant editor at *Newsweek* and self employed as an antique dealer, specializing in 18th and 19th century furniture, paintings, brasses and decorative accessories. I love the antiques business and hope to be able to do it full time soon. My husband, Bill Marbach, has left *Newsweek* and is now technology editor for *Business Week*. Though he's now located across town, we still manage to have late-night editorial dinners together. Greg Beers, my son, is 17, and a senior at LaJolla, Calif., high school. He's doing extremely well and hopes to get into Harvard, where his father went, or the Naval Academy in Annapolis, or perhaps one of the University of California system colleges. I hope he comes east so we can see more of him!" ...One of the most heartening notes we received came from **Judy McCandliss Orr**, who lives in Redlands, Calif., with her husband, Floyd: "I have 'retired' from most activities to battle cancer. And I'm winning!" ...**Jeff Newsom** writes from Paris, Maine: "Have been playing a lot. Last summer did some technical climbing in the Wino River Range in Wyoming and white water kayaking in Maine and Ontario. Daughter Suzanne is teaching skiing in Colorado; son Michael is at Brown, and mate Saranne is off visiting Africa." ...**Wendy Pierson Nourjian** is working with her husband, Bruce, managing their Commodore's Inn in Stowe, Vt. Wendy also teaches skiing part time. Their son, Gregg, graduated from Dartmouth in '88; daughter Disa is a senior at the University of Vermont and Galen is a UVM junior; daughter Erica is a sophomore at Middlebury, where she's on the dean's list and, like her mom, the ski team. ...**Libby Oliver** says she loves living in Florida, where

she spends as much time sailing as possible. Last fall, she completed a month-long trip to the Florida Keys and Dry Tortugas in her 37-foot Tayana sailboat. "When I pulled my boat into the dock in Key West," Libby writes, "Pete Carlson was docked right next to me!" Libby's daughter, Samantha (22), is at the University of Vermont Medical College in Burlington; son Brant (18) is majoring in engineering at Cornell; and son Andy (20) works for his father, Roger Buchika '66, at Buchika's Ski Shops in Massachusetts and New Hampshire. ..."Doing well," **Jay Orvis** reports from Camp Springs, Md. "Michael Timothy joined his brother, Joshua Daniel (ne 1980), in 1987. Wow! Having a 9- and 2-year-old keeps us current. We praise the Lord for our ministry to international students in the D.C. area, and recently brought two from Mainland China and a friend from the Solomon Islands for a flying visit to Middlebury. It was great to visit—just beautiful on October 2nd. Presently am Mid-Atlantic regional director for International Students, Inc., a pastoral-supervisory-admin job with staff who minister to international students." ...**Judy Couperus Radasch** reports from New York City that her daughter, Karin '85, married Jeff Maddox '85 in December 1988. "Jeff is finishing up law school this year," Judy says. "He'll be working at Winthrop Stimson. Karin will be returning to school for teacher certification. Son Pete graduated from Tulane a year ago. He's a poet who plans to make a living in sales (thank God!). I'm manager of the Reinsurance Department at MBIA. It's a great job in a great company with a great boss. It's also an exciting time to be in the industry (financial guarantee). I'm spearheading an industry task force on deposit insurance reform. I'm in Washington a lot and really enjoy it. Heady stuff! No news on the personal front, except to say I've never been healthier and happier. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the 25th." ...**Steve Roser** continues as associate professor and director of oral and maxillofacial surgery at Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center. "Career, family and future all stable (at least I think they are!)," Steve tells us. "Look forward to the reunion!" ...**Martha Saenz-Schroeder**, who overcame adversity several times to become a successful attorney, mother and wife from Washington, D.C., has been honored by the National Association for Female Executives (NAFE). Martha was featured in a front-page article in the March/April 1988 issue of NAFE's magazine, *Executive Female*. In recognition of her many achievements, she was selected as the association's "Ultra Woman." The magazine selected Martha because she transcended obstacles and gave countless hours of community service on the way to her successful career. "She has turned setbacks—such as not getting into law school when she first applied, failing her bar exam twice, and losing her first race to become president of the Woman's Bar Association of the District of Columbia—into victories, by always giving things another shot," the magazine said. "That seems to be my pattern," Martha said, describing her record of missing the mark the first time around, then succeeding at subsequent efforts. "Sometimes failure teaches you more than success does," she adds. "It makes you look at yourself and ask, 'Why did I fail? You have to depersonalize this answer and not dwell on your shortcomings. You have to take another approach so you won't fail again." While the single mother of three children, Martha worked her way through Washington College of Law, American University. She has since become a specialist in immigration law, president of the Woman's Bar Association of Washington, D.C., and secretary of the American Immigration Lawyers Association. She's a regular columnist for *El Pregonero*, a Spanish language newspaper which focuses on immigration issues. Martha has since remarried and is happily settled in Bethesda, Md. ...**Jobie Stevens** writes from Ringoes, N.J., that he and wife Ludie are doing well. There are three children in the family, Sarah (12), Ben (10) and Lisa (7), along with "horses, ponies, cats, dogs, etc." For Jobie, life sometimes centers on "farm chores, repairs, maintenance, etc. Ludie and I and family will see you all at Reunion (May 31, June 1,2, and 3)." ...Rich '64 and **Alix Warga Taylor** have returned to the Marshall Islands in the Pacific after four years of Massachusetts winters. Alix reports that "some 8,000 miles from Vermont, Laura's 4th grade teacher is Ann Twitchell Brown '64. What was that about a small world?" ...**Margot Wells Tegtmeier** has moved to the mountain community of Sierra City, Calif. (population 225), to establish a new restaurant and sporting goods store. Margot says, "I also inherited the job of town librarian (500 books). We'll be spending summers here and winters in Pacific Grove, Calif." ...**Jim Thomas** writes from Mendon, N.J., that he's a part-time licensed real estate salesperson and has a consulting business, "Thomas Systems," providing computer services for small companies. ...**Howard Tolley**'s oldest son, Mark, is at Swarthmore; his youngest son became an Eagle Scout. Howard is acting head of the University of Cincinnati political science department. He recently attended the national ACLU Biennial in Madison, Wis., as an Ohio delegate, and is active in the local Unitarian community. ...**Al Vonderahe** says Sparta, N.J., is "great!" And, he adds," We're in the mountainous northwestern corner of the state. It is a lake community that is wild enough to be bothered by an occasional bear in the garbage, and tame enough to be close enough to everything we need. We spend an unnatural amount of time on and in the water. Still, Vermont beckons. Last winter, we spent a week in Sugarbush and lucked out with the only snow of the season. If all goes as planned, we'll be back in January, and of course, for the reunion. Have a good winter!" ...**Kit Taschek Westphal** reports, "David and I are enjoying another view of Colorado, as we explore the bike paths in the Denver area and in the mountains. Haven't ridden as much since my days at Middlebury." ...**Walt Wilson** practices government contract law in Washington, D.C. "My son, Craig, is 10, and my daughter, Heather, is a sophomore at Middlebury (Class of '92)," Walt reports. "Still married (23 years) to Renee and we enjoy skiing, tennis and time with the children." ...**Paul Witteman**, who lives and works in San Francisco (*Time* magazine bureau chief), reports, "We were materially unaffected by the quake (that rocked California last fall). We lost only one Shilla Dynasty Korean pot. But, it was emotionally draining. It looks worse on television, of course, than it really is, which is the great shortcoming of that media's affect on people. Had a busy year what with the oil spill (three trips to Alaska) and a trip to Yellowstone to write about the year after the fires. My wife, Ellie McGrath (Mount Holyoke '74), had her first book published and spent much of the summer on a promotional tour (Detroit, Chicago, Boston, Pittsburgh, New York, etc.) It went into a second printing. The title is *My One and Only: The Special Experience of the Only Child*. I don't know what is left to do on the natural disaster front. I've covered tornadoes (Xenia, Ohio, '74) volcanoes (Mount Saint Helens), fires (Yellowstone) and now the quake. I guess a Tsunami is next. Look forward to seeing you in the spring." ...**Terry Wright** says, "I've been busy doing geological river trips in Idaho (Salmon River), Arizona (Grand Canyon) and California (Tuolumne and American), as well as teaching 160 students in two huge lower-division classes. Writing projects are coming to fruition with two books coming out this year on mountain building. The earthquake kept me very busy with media interviews and writing articles. We'll be back for the Reunion. Look forward to seeing you all." ..Many classmates have already gotten together for mini-reunions and other college functions. **Eve Ballard Armentrout Ma, Robert Parent** and **Lindsay Webbe** attended a Midd lecture and dinner in San Francisco; **Tamara Goldstein Prince** and **Martha Saenz-Schroeder** heard Ron Brown '62, the Democratic National Chairman, lecture in Washington, D.C.; **Kim Cartwright** attended the Midd Cape Cod alumni meeting; **Paul Prentiss** attended a Midd reception at the Milwaukee Athletic Club; **Fred Eppenberger** attended a Midd reception in St. Louis with Charlie Scott; **John Allen, Carol Haas Kelley** and **Roth "T" Tall** visited the June '89 Middlebury Reunions; **Pete Branch** attended a Cape Cod Alumni reception; **Ed Bartholomew, Chip Hart, Will Nalchajian, Tana Sterrett Scott, Larry Leahy** and **Fred Stetson** attended a Middlebury alumni reception in Burlington; **Jennifer Starr Johnson** attended the Middlebury WRMC 40th Anniversary Dinner and Middlebury Homecoming Weekend last year; and **Elizabeth Fink Farnsworth** flew all the way from California to give a lecture at Middlebury on Peru and the "Shining Path" guerilla movement (more in the next issue of the *Magazine*). What support! Many thanks to you all, and many thanks again for those who have sent notes or returned our appeals for news. More notes from many of you will appear in upcoming issues, but this is the last issue before our 25th Reunion, May 31, June 1,2, and 3. 'Til then, we look forward to seeing *you!*

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Class Secretaries: *Mr. and Mrs. J. Dudley King (Rita Crocitto), 31 Gull Point Road, Hilton Head, SC 29928.*

Your class secretaries are very happy to be able to write this column from a home that is still intact and undamaged. We were extremely fortunate to escape the devastation of Hurricane Hugo that was suffered by our neighbors 2-1/2 hours to the north in the Charleston area. Until just a few hours before the storm made landfall, it was on a direct path toward Hilton Head, so we followed all the recommended procedures for securing our home and evacuated the island. It was an eerie feeling to creep off the island in that endless line of cars and wonder if we would have anything to return to. The possessions we took with us were few: our daughter, dog, goldfish, photo albums, and a few pieces of silver and jewelry. We are counting our blessings! ...The children of several classmates are among those accepted to Middlebury's Class of 1993. They are Meghan Barstow, daughter of **Bill Barstow** and **Marilyn Keyes Barstow**; Emily Beattie, daughter of **John** and **Tina Lothgren Beattie**; Matthew Clark, son of **Tom Clark**; Pierre Delfausse, son of Peter '65 and **Lee Hall Delfausse**; David Lippert, son of **Dick Lippert**; and Sara Marie Schick, daughter of **Dan** and **Linda Lapham Schick**. Congratulations to all! ...We were happy to receive word of **Ward Whipple**'s marriage to Deborah Ewen in December 1987. Deborah is an outplacement partner with Personnel Corporation of America, a human resources consulting firm with offices in NYC and Norwalk, Conn. In January 1989, Ward left Scarsdale National Bank, his employer for the past 17 years. He was a vice president and served as chief investment officer of its trust and investment division. He has started his own firm which provides investment management services to

individuals, fiduciaries and pension and profit-sharing plans. "Starting and running one's own business has proven to be exhilarating, frightening, fun and, happily, successful." The Whipples are also in the process of trying to find a newborn to adopt. "This process includes nationwide advertising and letter writing and networking like crazy! If anyone from the class has been through this adventure and would care to share their experiences and suggestions with us, we'd love to hear from them. We can be reached at (914) 763-3468 (special "baby phone"). We're well and happy, dividing our time between northern Westchester during the week and northwestern Connecticut on the weekends. Not quite Vermont, but still the country." ...**David Rothschild** is living in Putney, Vt.—where he has been off and on for 20 years—with wife Linda and sons Wilson (13) and Cooper (11). "We keep in touch with John Lord '67 and occasionally hear from **Billy Ames, Chip**, and **Bill Burke**. I'd love to hear from everybody/anybody, particularly baseball enthusiasts." ...From an article in the *Burlington Free Press* we learn that **Joel Najman** is the weekday morning announcer on WDOT. Joel also hosts a Vermont Public Radio program, "My Place," which traces the evolution and history of rock and pop music. He lives in Colchester, Vt., with wife Betsy Lawrence, daughters Arila and Joya, and three 14-year-old cats. In addition to his Middlebury degree, Joel had four years of graduate study in experimental psychology at the University of Vermont. Joel cites his most embarrassing moment as the time he forgot the name of his guest in the middle of a talk show.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. William H. Hearne (Deven Hayford), 324 Ayrault Road, Fairport, NY 14450, and Richard E. Roller, c/o Tabor Academy, Marion, MA 02738.*

Greetings to one and all—and happy spring, says I (**Deven Hayford Hearne**), writing in the depths of a snowy December in the sure hope that there's probably going to be one. I have had some lovely letters from long-lost friends (bless you) and the College has also supplied some news. ...**Ruth McKenzie Cannon**, who has begun working in the financial aid office at Bates College, is greatly enjoying being part of a college community again. In addition, she's the mother of three children, a co-owner of a 150-year-old house, a gardener and a cross-country skier. All this takes place at Rt. 3, Box 477, Skillings Corner Road, Auburn, ME 04210. It's wonderful to hear from you again, Ruth. ...**Neil Middleton**, who lives in Lincoln, Mass., has been appointed by Governor Dukakis to the Designer Selection Board of Massachusetts. The board makes selections for the awarding of architectural and planning contracts for public building construction throughout the Commonwealth. Neil's previous projects have been the construction and/or renovation of a number of Boston buildings (One Twenty Five High Street, the former United Shoe Machinery Building and the John Hancock Clarendon Building), and we wish him well in his new line of work. ...**John M. Perkins** has written a book called *The Stress-Free Habit: Powerful Techniques for Health and Longevity from the Andes, Yucatan, and Far East*, which we probably all need to read and heed. ...In answer to the burning question I posed in the last column—where in the world is **Peter Hefron**?—I have learned (via a news clipping indicating that his first name is Paul, so take all the following with a grain of salt) that he is teaching United States Air Force officers in London during this year, and has previously taught at other Air Force bases in Spain, Greece and West Germany. ...Now then, from a virtual spate of computer spit-outs, I have learned that mostly what we do best is change houses and jobs. Doesn't anybody stay put anymore? This is a quick and partial listing of all the changes, and I hope you are writing all these things down, in pencil, in your Alumni Directories, because there's going to be a test later. ...**Karen M. Anderson Armstrong** is the office manager for Britt & Klesert in Gallup, N.M. ...**Marion Boultbee Browne** (Whittier Hall #1006, 1230 Amsterdam Ave., NY, NY 10027) is an assistant to the foreign student adviser at Teachers College, Columbia University. ...**James D. Beste** (15 Splitrail Lane, Blue Bell, PA 19422) is senior vice president for Hansen Properties. ...**Dort Cameron III** (Airlie Farm, Old Post Road, Bedford, NY 10506) is a general partner of the Airlie Group. ...**Paul R. Ford** (2905-C S. Woodstock St., Arlington, VA 22206) is now a senior consultant to Anderson, Benjamin, Read and Honey. ...**Olaf H. Hage III** (P.O. Box 687, Yarmouth, ME 04096) does free-lance writing and editorial work. ...**Peter B. Jackson** (6310 Willgus Trail, Houston, TX 77066) is a drilling engineer for Chevron Services. ...**Donna Bliss Jonas** (28 Chickadee Lane, Sunapee, NH 03782) is faculty learning skills department coordinator for the Proctor Academy. ...**Patricia Parks McDonald** (P.O. Box 2893, Evergreen, CO 80439) is a clinician at the Jefferson City Mental Health Center. ...**James H. Patterson** (11 Pond St., P.O. Box 552, Dover, MA 02030) is an executive vice president with John Hancock Properties, Inc. ...**David Tura** (166 Neptune Drive, Mumford Cove, Groton, CT 06430) is vice president and partner of Valley Wholesale Building Products. ...There are plenty more address changes to pass on, but I'll save some for the next column (sorta like sourdough) in case I don't hear personally from the rest of you who are busy keeping the realtors and business-card-printers gainfully employed. If you should ever find yourself in a pensive, wistful, Pirandello-ish mood with pencils in your hands, please drop a line. In closing, let me quote extensively from a news flash sent by **Frederica Mahlmann** (clearly in just such a p., w., P-ish mood) to show you just how easy this is. "**Sue Schweickert Macy** and **Freddie Mahlmann** spent part of late July '89 tubing down the New Haven River above the Bristol Falls. Accompanied by **Bill Macy** and their daughter Meg, Sue and Freddie braved the slides and the rocks as they bounced from pool to pool. Currently the Macy family is in Costa Rica on a naturalist trip and Freddie is recovering from her year's leave of absence and planning to return to her job as director of guidance at Harwood Union High School in Moretown, Vt. She spent last October on a motorcycle trip in Queensland, Australia. The remainder of her year will be spent trying to ski in a really down year, being a volunteer cook for the local senior citizens center, and working on the production of the annual musical of the Valley Players." ...Got the pattern? Summarize your life in 237 pear-shaped words, and let me take extreme liberties with all the facts. Piece of cake, guys!

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Terry Pindell reports a successful campaign for a seat on the Keene, N.H., city council. He began a second two-year term in January promising to ease traffic, balance economic development and lower taxes. Terry recently completed a 30,000-mile rail odyssey throughout the U.S. which provided the material for his first book, *Making Tracks*, due on bookstore shelves in May. A second travelogue historical opus is in the works, based on his subsequent grand tour of Canada's railroads. ...Another prolific writer is **Koichi Ishiyama**, a reporter with Tokyo's *Straits Times*. Koichi has published seven books, including a Japanese-English dictionary of modern usage. ...Bruchkoebel, West Germany, is home to **Tom Harrington**, wife Ute and their children, Britt (10) and Marc (7). Twenty years ago he distinguished himself in ice hockey and lacrosse at Midd; today Tom is Young and Rubicam's worldwide account director for Adidas. ...**Keith Conners** recently completed a three-year stint as dean of the School of Education and Professional Studies at Salisbury State University in Maryland, where he has taught since 1976. He's active as a radio-TV consultant and as youth soccer coach with son Bruce (14) and daughter Pamela (11). He fulfilled a fantasy by making an appearance in the alumni soccer game last October, team-

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ing up with former Panther teammate and current Midd reference librarian **Stephen (Terry) Plum**. ...**Virginia Hopper Proctor**, daughter Heather (16) and son Christopher (14) call Annapolis home. Ginny left a "secure" job two years ago to start her own marketing research and training firm, Marketing Results, Inc. She reports pride and satisfaction in making it successful *and* profitable. ...If anyone has news of **Terry Cryderman**, once of Sudbury, Ontario, please let us hear from you.

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Here are the collated results you have all been anxiously awaiting for about six months. We had 87 mates reply (from 307 mailed out) for a 28 percent return, making the curve "reliable" according to our Galluping expert consultants—meaning that you can certainly judge yourself aberrant or normative. (Your editors plead no liability for any psychological trauma induced by your own interpretations. For a fee far greater than that of any shrink, however, we will help you to avert said trauma, treatments to be administered first hand at our reunion, June 1-3.) ...Thirty-two of 87 mates have returned to campus more than 10 times over the last 20 years; while 52 have visited 1-5 times, and 3 never. In the last 5 years, 38 have not visited, 24 once, 10 for 2-4 times, and 19 for more than 5 times. ...Fifty-seven would choose Midd again, 16 might, and 12 would NOT. ...Fifty-two would choose the same major, 34 would switch. ...MARRIAGE: Never=8, once=58, no longer=8, twice=13, thrice=3. ...CHILDREN: zero=10, one=16, two=31, three=17, four=1, five=4. Three of us have had one child die. ...JOB changes in the last 5 years: 0=42, 1=30, 2=5, 3=3, 4=1. ...Watch *thirtysomething*: frequently=8, sometimes=31, never=47. ...Fifteen have watched Moyers interviews of Joseph Campbell. ...Have a drink regularly=27, when necessary or occasionally=48, never=11. ...Fire up the ganja regularly=3, when necessary or ocassionally=7, never=74 (of which 17 pleaded ignorance of the term). ...Own a computer: 52 do, 29 do not (2 of whom lost theirs through divorce—no mention was made as to the relationship of the machine to the cause of the divorce). ...Serve on a public board or non-profit board: 54 do, 32 do not. ...Donations (percentage of income): 0%=5, 1%=47, 3%=17, 5%=17, 10%=6. ...Favorite participatory sports (many mates mentioned more than one): skiing=28, tennis=21, walking/hiking=17, swimming=12, golf=9, basketball=8, cross-country skiing=6, sailing=6, cycling=5, canoeing=4, soccer=4, fishing=3, skating=3, volleyball=3, windsurfing=3, baseball=2, racquetball=2, hockey=2. One of us highlighted beach bronzing and another cited aerobic sex (which we find only slightly curious, wondering if there is another sort, and if so perhaps—since we are at our respective half lives—our impending reunion should include a seminar on anaerobic sex for the aging?). ...Favorite viewing sports included football=21, NONE=19, basketball=11, tennis=10, baseball=8, hockey=8, figure skating=6, gymnastics=4, skiing=4, Olympics=4, soccer=3, golf=3. Four of us mentioned "our kids' games" (one called it "watching my kids grow"). One named "theater." ...The final three questions each raised about 80 different answers so we'll mention any convergencies first and then list a few of the solo citings for broad editorial enrichment. Favorite movie of the last 5 years: *Out of Africa* (5), *Rainman* and *Big Chill* (4), *Dead Poets Society, Good Morning Vietnam, Moonstruck, Hoosiers, Back to the Future, Field of Dreams* (all 2), *Stand By Me, Color Purple, The Accused, Baghdad Cafe, Aliens, Desert Bloom, Broadcast News, Princess Bride, Bread and Chocolate, White Mischief, Woman in Red, Star Trek 4, Romancing the Stone, Das Boot, Peter Pan, Beverly Hills Cop, Accidental Tourist, Do the Right Thing, The Dead, When Harry Met Sally, Killing Fields, Bull Durham, Hanna and Her Sisters, Big Easy, Kiss of the Spider Woman, The Gods Must Be Crazy, Tin Men, The River, Trading Places, Lady and the Tramp.* (We suggest that one assignment for reunion be to have seen at least 90 percent of the above, 'cause what are you gonna talk 'bout if you ain't?) ...Best vacation of last five years: VERMONT (5), Hawaii (5), Caribbean (5), Utah (4), Adirondacks (3), Italy (3), Paris (2), England (2), India (2), Colorado (2), U.S. Southwest (2), Nepal (2), Ivory Coast, Peru, Cape Cod, Fiji, Galapagos Islands, Bali, Zermatt, Japan, New Orleans, Greece, Maine, South Carolina, Nantucket, Outer Banks, California Beaches, Boston, Wyoming, White Mountains, LaJolla, Nova Scotia, Denmark, Belize, East Texas, Canadian Rockies, Soviet Union, New Zealand, Portugal. (We suggest that if you cannot fulfill our previous assignment for reunion, that you certainly vacation in at least 10 of the above sites before reunion. Again, we are only being sensitive to your social needs.) ...Name your heroes(ines): Mother Theresa (3), Martin Luther King (3), Gandhi (3), John Kennedy (2), local citizens (5), Jimmy Carter (2), Everett Koop M.D. (2), Dalai Lama, Jesus Christ, my rabbi, Mandela, Olin Robison, Gov. Madeleine Kunin, the Saints, John Sculley, Margaret Mead, Donald Trump, all mothers, Mark Knopfler, my wife, Ali, Admiral Hooper, Bart Giamatti, Chet Atkins, Stephen Lewis, Barbara Jordan, Pat Schroeder, Green Peace, C.S. Lewis, Gary Snyder, Gorbachev, Terry Waite, George Kennan, Barbara Bush, my dad, Edmund Bacon, Leonard Cohen, Joe Namath, Dr. Who, Sir Edmund Hillary, Ashley, Jack Griswold, Alice Walker, my boss, Stephen Hawking, Harriet Wright Edelman, my mother. (Our final suggested assignment for reunion: adopt one of the above and wear a T-shirt bearing that person's portrait to our opening picnic.) ...As to "profound moments" which have made a difference in our lives over the last 20 years, we have several to relate. ..."Holding the hand of my father, along with the rest of my family, as he died of brain cancer." (anon.) ..."The birth of my child." (anon.) ..."My second birth. As a teenager I had decided that absolutely no one would tell me what to think or to believe. I purposefully avoided anything that I thought might contain someone else's prejudice or bigotry; I wanted to know the truth. In 1975, over a period of about three months I gradually became a Christian. During the years since that time a lot of other changes have taken place in me, and it's quite an adventure! One of the best parts is knowing beyond all doubt where I'm headed and being absolutely certain that I'll get there. It turns out that "the truth" is the most important thing in life after all; little did I dream that He is a person, He is real, He cares far more than anyone else ever could, and He has set me free. John 8:32 (**Eleanor Hubbell/Coffey**). ..."Certainly the struggles and joys of an intimate relationship with my spouse and with my children has been the primary emotional focus of these years. I can't imagine where I would be without them. A second force has been my ongoing struggle with a dysfunctional compulsive disorder, not a highlight, but an impact it has had on me and my family and my career. And now it adds to mid-life crisis! Finally, I continue to have the opportunity to work among the poor and marginal of our society where I think I have made a difference for positive opportunity." (anon) ..."Spring 1971: sunset, Dead Creek Wildlife Refuge off Route 17, Vt. One of those particularly dark periods when my problems seemed well out of proportion to the universal context, when the world was about to witness, with great and sordid interest, my flaming demise. All eyes were focused and there was nothing to do. Then, amidst the tall grasses, circling hawks, nesting geese, setting sun over the western mountains, in the rushing breeze and the occasional call of a solitary goose, it became clear: nobody, nothing gives a damn. No hostility or forethought. No judgment, this is good or too bad. Could have been appointed president of some huge corporation. It just didn't matter. I was no greater, no lesser than all that was going on around me; nor were my problems (or late successes) any more important. My place in the universe was indeed secure. It just wasn't as significant as I had feared (or later, hoped in good times). The ride back to town was one of humility and comfort. Since then, times of darkness and light have been balanced by the mindfulness of this experience. And each reunion with that place, that spirit, has been one of affirmation." (anon.) ..."Kissing my future husband in an underground parking garage (believe it or not, it was very romantic). Receiving an award and a 15-year pin from my employer. Becoming a stepmother. Living for two weeks in a small town in East Germany. Being ALIVE!" (anon.) ..."The birth of my daughter Jenny, now 7, has made the most difference in my life. Among all other changes, her coming raised my social consciousness. Peace and understanding among all peoples of the world has become a force in my life, as have the rights of women and children, ranging from childcare to schools to medical care for everyone." (**Gail Davidson March**) ..."First, when at age 32, I married my husband and created a sense of security and stability which previously had been missing. Second, when we realized that we would not be having children, a fact which affects my daily life and general lifestyle." (anon.) ..."I became committed to a spiritual path and visited my teacher in India. Many of our age are reasonably skeptical or disillusioned about gurus, so many have failed to maintain the light. My teacher is a light. Being in his presence is truly enlightening and transformational, the deep centering pool of my heart. The death of my son was a profound experience. I will never be the same. I call this a highlight because I feel that his death as well as his short life was a gift to me—a gift of love—and inner growth and wisdom and courage." (anon.) ..."Living in Vermont, USA, from 1966 to 1970 and coming of age politically in a climate very different from my own in Canada was an exciting, turbulent time...where all the action seemed to be and, despite Trudeau-mania back home, when I moved back to Montreal in June of 1970, I felt as though I was returning to a tame, dull world. Then, we had our "October Crisis" with the two F.L.Q. cell kidnappings and the murder of a cabinet minister and suddenly I felt as though I had been playing at a game for the previous four years—this was real. I realized that I had missed out on the action in my own world." (anon.) ..."Challenge: learn to live and function as a fully participating adult. Scary! All this and do it with flair and humor. A highlight has been to stand in front of a class of adults who have paid good money to learn from me and then to know that I *really* have information for them that can improve their lives, make their work more fun, and allow them to see the world through new eyes. I teach art to professional painters, designers, and other inter-

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ested parties." (**Birgit Jacobsen McCone**) ..."Delivery room participation at birth of our first child. Completing my first marathon. Becoming a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives." (anon.) ..."A chance to reflect. What could be of interest to my friends? What is significant and for what reason? Where are we now? Is this all there is? The mid-life passage. Sweet depression. Hey, wait a minute! It ain't like it sounds! Peggy kicks my ass when she gets a chance (I grab hers). The house (home) and job are great. Wonderful bunch of people here. Still can tear up the ski tracks. BUT...I'm a little older, a little slower, more aches and pains. No glasses yet, but they're on the way. I ain't a kid anymore...sure is fun trying. Love teaching those students. Don't mind a laugh with the crazies. Seen some of the world and know we've got it pretty easy. Bring on the second half!" (**Dave Hodgson**) ..."I just experienced and survived the Bay Area quake. Not a California native, I thought I'd adjust to the occasional movements of the earth. As it turned out, I hadn't. Power? Control? Forget it! Nevertheless, I love my life here—good work, good friends, beautiful views, great places to walk, run, bike, play tennis and, of course, a loving family. (No hurricanes or tornadoes either.) I'm looking forward to returning to Midd after 15 years. Sandy, Ceci, Tena, Nancy, Sally, Bonnie, Frances, Patty: please be there!" (**Jo Wayles**, 6116 Rockridge Blvd. N., Oakland, CA 94618) ..."Three highlights were the arrival of our three sons: Dustin in '73 via caesarean section, Jason in '74 in same manner, and Khun in '83 via airplane at age 12 from a refugee camp in Thailand." (**Kathi Hall Perkins**) ..."Most traumatic moment—my divorce in '79. Happiness—my marriage in '85 and birth of son in '86. Career highlight—serving as branch manager of public library '81-'85. Politically—tired to death of Reagan/Bush et al. Pleased that abortion rights majority has finally become vocal. Just attended the Pro-Choice march in D.C. in April and November '89." (**Rhoda Highsaw Bush**) ...And now on to some housekeeping: **Bob Van Wert** writes, "Thank you for the most recent alumni magazine note. Sorry, however, I haven't moved to Florida and have no plans to do so. In my business of buying and selling racehorses I do go to Florida for three or four months each winter. Last January, instead of having my secretary forward mail, I decided to let the Postal Service do the job and I filled out a form for a temporary change of address. Typically, the Postal Service notified everyone that my address change was permanent and I immediately lost all contact with Middlebury College, *Sports Illustrated*, *Time* and *Golf Digest*. Unfortunately, this didn't fool any of my creditors and all my bills still continued to arrive on time. I continue to live in Old Westbury on Long Island at Box 342, Elmont, NY 11003. There aren't many Middlebury people around here that I know of so I have lost contact with the old days. I did run into Wendy Forbes '51 at an Off-Track-Betting Parlor in New York last summer, however, and I had lunch with John Boothroyd '71 a couple of weeks ago. I hope to make it to the reunion. I've never been to something like that before." ...**Jeff Taylor** was tapped by New Hampshire Gov. Judd Gregg to head the state planning office. Jeff had worked for the planning office in Berlin, N.H., for 12 years. In 1985 he became the economic director for Berlin. ...**Geoff Weiss** writes that he moved to San Antonio, Texas, in '82 where he is an associate professor of medicine at the University of Texas Health Science Center doing work in cancer medicine. He's been married to Martha for 15 years and has a daughter, Claire (8) and son Mark (4). ...Address updates: **Mark Ripa**, P.O. 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(We are not at liberty to divulge the leak of this heretofore carefully kept secret from the alumni office. Suffice to say that certain of the brethren felt that 20 years was long enough and that perhaps the enigmatic J.T. might deserve a reward of some sort on the evening of June 2.) ...**Susan Parlow** has moved to 26 W. 9th St., New York, NY 10011 where she is a clinical psychologist/intern at the Roosevelt Hospital. ...**Christina Ruschp Startzel**, 15841 N. 63rd Place, Scottsdale, AZ 85254. ...**Janet Sanderson Wright**, 131 Shenandoah Lane, Stafford, VA 22554, where she is mother of Justin (7) and Daniel (5), wife to Michael and geographer for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Institute for Water Resources. ...**Bruce Kimmel** can be reached c/o Mrs. Barbara Kimmel, 2425 Covillaud St., Marysville, CA 95061. ...**Judith Fischer Ledbetter**, Rte. 1, Box 150, Charles City, VA 23030. ...**Joan Humphrey Rybczynski**, 308 W. 109th St., #7, New York, NY 10025, where she is a partner in an advertising firm. ...**Peter Stacey**, 12817 Granite Ave. N.E., Albuquerque, NM 87112, where he is a research professor at the University of New Mexico. ...**Bryan Upton**, R.R. 1, Box 333, Windsor, VT 05089. ...**Marilyn Park Warren**, 102 Church St., Westwood, MA 02090, where she is the diirector of audiology services at Childrens Hospital Medical Center (this after marriage in '70, Ph.D. in '76, daughter Sarah in '79, divorce in '87, remarriage in '89. ...**Patricia King Beebe**, 18 Billow Road, Niantic, CT 06357. ...**Bill Brunger**, 3901 Amherst St., Houston, TX 77005, where he is director of passenger revenue at Continental Airlines. ...**Stephen Hammell**, 3707 Hamilton St., 1st Fl., Philadelphia, PA 19104. ...**Bill Hereford**, 46 Cambridge Tpk., Lincoln, MA 10773, where he is the program manager for Northeastern Graduate School of Engineering. ...**Sara Speidel**, 188 Fountain St., Bangor, ME 04401. ...**John Rice**, 380 Lake Blvd., Annandale, VA 22003, where he is the vice president of real estate development for the Artery Organization. ...**Rebecca Lee Samanci**, R.D. 2, Fairfax, VT 05454. ...Finally, notes on our reunion. One of us suggested: "Let's have a wonderful night of music but somehow keep it down some—or have an available place nearby where we can hear the music and still converse with old buddies. I remember at our 10th loving the music, but wanting to be better at lip reading. Am I getting old?" We assure you that you are, that we are, and that, therefore, we have arranged it be as you ask. ...**Dave Desrochers** suggests a class picnic behind the field house with a band. Another added, picnic with multi-generation sports. Again, so it shall be. ...**Bill Dockery** writes, "I wish very much that I could attend, but commitments in Hong Kong make it impossible. I will be there in spirit!" ...And so, we roll on toward spring and our twice quinquennial gathering of older friends.

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Class Secretaries: *Paula Morgan Wyman, RD 1, Box 1395, Arlington, VT 05250, and Gay Mann Folland, RFD 1, Box 180-2A1 Tasker Hill Road, Conway, NH 03818.*

Hello to all! I suppose you wonder where we've been hiding? Well, it has been a long time since we've had enough news to fill a column. It seems, though, that "no news" for several issues of the *Magazine* somehow prompts some of you to write to us. Thank you! Let's keep it up! ...**Nicole Kravecs Muller** (75 Barrows Terrace, Stratford, CT 06497) said that she felt a real let-down when there was no news for the Class of '71 in the last issue. But she quickly realized "that (she was) guilty of not providing any news." Get the picture? At any rate, Nicole is an assistant professor, teaching creative writing and literature, at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Conn. She also teaches social work, chemistry and biology, among other disciplines, in the Workshop Skills Center at the university. She and her family are also very active as advisers to international students at the university from Africa, Asia, China, South America and the Far and Middle East. She has two daughters, Jessica (13) and Melanie (9), and is a step-mother to three other girls. "Needless to say, five girls coming and going, primping, and dating, keep me out of mischief when I'm not busy grading papers and entertaining for my husband, Jerry, who is the marketing director for the American Association of Exporters and Importers, based in Manhattan." It was wonderful to hear from you, Nicole. Hope you and Jerry and some of your girls will plan to get together with us at our 20th in 1991! ...A newsclipping from the *Vermont Standard*, Woodstock, awarded fantastic kudos to **Marjorie Balgooyen Drysdale** (RFD #2, Randolph, VT 05060) for a performance in Norwich, Vt., last winter. Congratulations to Marjorie, who directs a vocal ensemble named "The Sounding Joy!" described in this article as "an emerging gem among area choruses, with a mellow, well-rounded sound, a simple, unpretentious approach, precise attacks and outstanding diction." Marjorie is also on the staff of the Vermont College Preparatory School of Music. ...In the major "Oops!" department, I incorrectly noted **Anne Yerpe Kavcic's** address: It's Hertensteinstr. 6, CH-5415 Nussbaumen, Switzerland. Apparently her neighbors are getting strange mail. Anne is the administrative assistant for sales and marketing at ASEA Brown Boveri. She is also taking courses at the Scola Cantorum Basilieusis, a school well-known for medieval and baroque music. "What a fantastic place—practice rooms with harpsichords, forte-pianos, and spinets!" Always great to hear from you, Anne, and sorry about the goof! ...Quite some time back (like about a year!) I got a super letter from Grandmother (oh, no!) **Anne Villalon Speyer** (190 Pomeroy Ave., Pittsfield, MA 01201), who is "showering her new granddaughter, Rebecca, with books (naturally) and Polly Flinders dresses." Anne has started a new position as humanities division head at Mt. Greylock Regional High School in Pittsfield, where she is in charge of English, history, foreign language, art and music! Anne almost gave up teaching, "mostly because last year my school went through 18 months of bitter contract negotiations, designed, I think, to make the faculty feel subhuman. But in the end, my love for the kids won out, and I'm in for the duration." Anne continues to write for the *Berkshire Eagle* on education, families, health care and writing—and on being a grandmother. She has also writ-

ten an anecdotal book about being in the front lines of public-school teaching. "I am still searching for the right publisher. The rejection slips have been personal letters and very encouraging. The main problem seems to be marketing, not the readability of the book, so I persist." Anne and her husband, Andre, also recently bought the duplex they had been renting, "becoming homeowners and landlords all at once. My first job will be attempting to kill the hundreds of huge hasta plants that have taken over every corner of the yard—and which I'm sure are carnivorous!" Anne ends her letter with a thought we all share: "Every now and then I am hit with waves of nostalgia for those extraordinary years when we were all in college. I just wish I'd been a bit older—wasn't ready quite yet for all that political and social change." ...The folks at the alumni office have wondered whether or not our class would be difficult to motivate to participate in alumni functions because our college experience was at such a time of upheaval, nationally and socially. And for a good number of us, our time at college was more than we were prepared to handle. Things were changing so quickly, and heavy responsibilities were piling up on us so fast that many were caught unaware and unprepared. I'll never forget the day news broke nationally that Nixon had sent troops into Cambodia—without the consent of Congress. It totally went against everything I had been taught about the safety of the balance of power in our system of government. I was appalled, totally disillusioned, and completely lost and confused. Most of us had a similar experience during our years in college, and it was terrifying in its insecurity. And it's my opinion that it made all of us closer than the "normal" college experience. And now, with almost 20 years of the "real world" under our belts, we can look back and want to recapture those friendships that helped us deal with our young fears. That's how I feel now: the memories have become "fond," although it has taken time. Don't forget! The 20th or bust. (I'll, personally, take the bust...ha, ha.)

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Class Secretaries: *Judy McCormack Culhane, P.O. Box 25864, Honolulu, HI 96825, and William E. Carlough, 54 Pleasant Ave., Pleasantville, NY 10570.*

In Indiana, **Bill DeSalvo** was named director of Fort Wayne's Canterbury High School after working as the director of admissions at Suffield Academy in Connecticut for nine years.

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Class Secretaries: *Kathryn Winsberg, 2950 Van Ness St., N.W., #911, Washington, DC 20008, and Dean Nikitas, 7 Second St., #19, Pittsfield, MA 01201 (413-445-4082; office, 684-0925).*

I (**Dean Nikitas**) live in my home town of Pittsfield, Mass., in a four-story brick apartment building right across the street from my high school. To return to one's hometown after being elsewhere for 10 years is indeed a complicated and sometimes painful endeavor. It is also a wonderful challenge. It forces you to make peace with all that "past" that becomes, in various forms, the present. I keep the roof over my head and food on the plate through my work as a land surveyor. Which isn't a bad job at all. There are worse places to spend a day than in the woods of western Massachusetts. Drawing maps and plans in the office can be fun too. My involvement in some local economic development and conservation issues takes up some of my evenings. Over the summer months I do some trout and bass fishing with my father. ...When **Kathryn Winsberg** very kindly agreed to serve as co-secretary, I knew I had lucked out again. I knew that, with her assistance, some success in this service to our class was all but guaranteed. The next installment of the class notes will come out of her typewriter, and we will try to alternate from issue to issue in that way. Please send news for this column to either of us or directly to the College. ...The rank of lieutenant commander is indicated by two and a half stripes on the arm patch, according to Lieutenant Commander **Kathy Reading Moore**, who has recently attained that rank in the U.S. Naval and Marine Corps Reserve. She is on full-time, active duty stationed at Augusta, Ga. As for the Navy's general condition, she says "not enough ships, not enough sailors."...There has been some decent golf played. **Ken Perine, Bert Phinney** and **Michael Schoenfeld** all took part in Middlebury's annual Alumni Golf Tournament last fall. Ken shot an 87, Burt an 84, and Mike an 82 (unofficial scores). ...According to **Rick Hathaway**, the Sheraton Towson Hotel in Towson, Md., of which he is food and beverage manager, is a "luxury suburban hotel." Rick has been married for three years to Saundra Courtney, who is a real estate agent in Columbia, Md. ...**Jamien Morehouse** hand delivered 30 home made pies to the Soviet factory ship *Riga* just before the ship departed Rockland Harbor, Maine. This pie diplomacy apparently began when word got around on shore that the ship's doctor had a craving for an apple pie. The rest of the story is wonderfully told by Jamien herself in the October '89 issue of *Yankee* magazine.

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Class Secretaries: *Barbara Schultz King, P.O. Box 77, Ripton, VT 05766, and Jim Ware, 90 East Bare Hill Road, Harvard, MA 01451.*

After a rather prolonged courtship (seven years!) Warren King and I (**Barry Schultz**) got married in December of '88. We are now homeowners in Ripton and enjoy being a part of this community, when our work for the Keewaydin Environmental Education Center on Lake Dunmore allows us to be at home. We run week-long residential programs for school children and their teachers from throughout Vermont and New England. **Peter Mackey** and **Tim Etchells** have each had a child who participated in a week at Keewaydin. Anyone else? Peter also has the dubious distinction of being the first member of our class to have a daughter at Middlebury. Kyna Mackey is in the class of 1993. Peter, who is the assistant manager of the Snow Bowl, lives in Salisbury. ...Those of you who don't read every word in these Middlebury Magazines may have missed seeing that Tim Etchells is once again at the helm. Tim's farewell line when he left his position as editor of the magazine in 1986 was, "See ya in the class notes." But he must not have been too serious about that because he hasn't been in the class notes until now. What an example for the rest of us! For the past three years, Etch was the editor of *Ski Racing* and made the daily commute over the mountains from his home in Middlebury to Waitsfield. Tim's wife, Betsy Mitchell Etchells '75, also works for Middlebury where she is the executive assistant to the president. Tim and Betsy have two children—Emily (12) and Peter (10). ...**Peter Harris**, his wife Louise and their three daughters—Megan (10), Amanda (9) and Abigail (7)—have moved to Derby Line, Vt. Peter is practicing medicine in Island Pond and Newport, Vt. He couldn't be at our reunion last June, but his parents, George '44 and Barbara Busing Harris '46 represented the Harris clan nobly. ...In case you were wondering why **Bill Landry** didn't make it to our reunion, he has spent the last three years in Hiroshima and it was a little far to travel for the weekend! He moved back to North America in August and is now at Concordia University in Montreal, studying for a master's in English. His new address is 4700 St. Catherine St. West, #612, Westmount, Quebec, Canada H3Z 1S6. ...The Harrison Conference Center and Inn in Southbury, Conn., had the good sense to name **Jon Emerson** general manager. Previously, Jon was the managing director of the Claremont Resort Hotel and Spa in Oakland, Calif. ...**Anne Weathers Ritchie** has started an educational counseling service for families who are interested in sending their kids

Five former assistant U.S. attorneys recently formed a new law firm — Kern, Sosman, Hagerty, Roach & Carpenter, P.C. — concentrating in litigation and located in downtown Boston. The new firm's members are, seated from left, Martha Sosman '72 and Eileen Hagerty; standing from left, M. Carpenter, Christine Roach and Leila Kern. Believed to be the largest all-woman law firm in Massachusetts, it is also the largest in the state in recent years to be composed entirely of former assistant U.S. attorneys. Martha Sosman '72 previously served as chief of the civil division at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Massachusetts. From 1979 to 1984, she was associated with the Boston Law firm of Foley, Hoag & Eliot. She graduated magna cum laude from the University of Michigan Law School in 1979. Sosman lives in Boston. She's on the board of directors and the executive committee of the Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts. She also studies piano at the Longy School of Music in Cambridge and has given numerous recitals in the Boston area.

This unlikely looking bunch got together at the wedding of Greg Martin '80 and Patricia MacFarland in Atlanta, Ga. From left, all members of the Class of 1980, are Dave Maccrellish, Jeff Bodean (the best man), Chris McInerney, Jeff Brodsky and Greg Martin (the groom).

The reception following the June 17, 1989, wedding of Kate Wallace '86 and Paul Perrotta '84 was held in Hamilton Mass., on the lawn of the bride's parents, Tim and Liz O'Donnell Wallace, both '57. The Middlebury herd included (from left, front row) Buck Dominic '84, Mike Ackerman '82, Steve Lawrence '82, Bill Hathaway '84, Mark Ray '84, Andrew Zehner '84, Todd Hermanson '84, Rich Wagman '84, Caleb Rick '82, Tim Simpson '84, Marty Lanigan '84, (row two) Pam Grady '86, Julia Morris '86, Susan Presley '86, Becky Spahr Frazier '86, Jenni Blake '86, Lisa Cheney '86, Joyce O'Donnell Maroney '78, Joy Contente O'Donnell '57, Liz O'Donnell Wallace '57, Kate Wallace '86, Norah Wallace '80, Tim Wallace '57, Sarah Christel '86, Michael O'Reilly '85, Alice Britain Griffin '58, Sue Whitty '86, Jim Witham '58, (row three) Chris Marzilli '81, Irv Morris '53, Ellie Hight Morris '51, Jamie Magee '82, Paul Drain '84, Mary C. O'Donnell '82, Craig Born '84, Jody O'Donnell '81, Larry Goldstein '84, Paul Perrotta '84 (bridegroom), Randy Rendino (imposter), Sue Cooper '87, Tom Knox '84, Chris Sullivan '86, Bernie Young '61, Carol Treiber Young '58 and Jean Witham '58.

to private secondary schools. Among other services, Anne provides advice on appropriate school options, helps plan itineraries for school visits and also gives on-going assistance for the interview and application process. Her three-year-old business has grown so much that she has moved it from her house into an office in Yarmouth, Maine. Anne is enjoying her four stepdaughters and her home in Freeport (which is far enough from L.L. Bean's that she isn't bothered by the tourist buses). ...**Joan Lapham Lawrence** is living in Wilson, Wyoming, with husband Paul and their two children, Alexis (7) and Jake (3). Joanie, who teaches aerobics at the Jackson Hole Athletic Club, also stays busy "skiing, hiking, riding and living the good life out here." Encouraged by her daughter, Joanie bought her first ski equipment since Middlebury and took up downhill skiing again. She usually visits the East each summer. In '89 she enjoyed a wonderful evening at the Mt. Mansfield Trout Club with **Kate Peterson** and **Dave Minot**. She and I enjoyed bagels at her mother's home in Burlington. ...Two of our classmates, **Allen** and **Sue Thompson Ventola**, waited out Hurricane Hugo in a friend's brick house in Charleston, while their own home on Folly Island, S.C., was hit hard by the storm. The hurricane nearly demolished their house and yard, leaving the latter looking like a giant sandbox and cutting up their waterbed "like a piece of cheese." According to Al, "We consider ourselves very lucky to have a house at all. If the storm surge had been only a couple of feet higher, it would have washed the house completely away." Although every window still needed replacing and part of the roof as well, Susan and Allen moved back into their home on November 16 just after they got their water back. Right from the start, they manifested a spirit of self-reliance and did most of the work themselves. They also maintained a good sense of humor and placed a sign in front of their debris-laden yard inscribed, "Yard of the Month." Their philosophy was "You've got to laugh. What else can you do? Laugh and get back to work." They considered adding another sign saying "Hell no, we won't go!" describing their determination to rebuild and persevere. While not battling hurricanes or their aftermaths, Al is a research chemist in Charleston and Sue is the student orientation director at the College of Charleston. Their determination is certainly inspiring and we wish them well. ...**Gretchen Tobin** is living in Fort Collins, Colo., where she works for Hewlett-Packard as a products manager. I knew she would live near mountains! She and her husband enjoy cross-country skiing and mountain biking. They often bring their two children, ages 4 and 1, along in trailers or on bike seats when they go mountain biking, although Gretchen admits that at those times their route isn't a bumpy mountain trail. ...Also in Colorado is **Bob Mauro**, a doctor in Denver. Bob is kept busy and challenged by an incredible variety in his work in pediatric medicine. He works at Denver's Children's Hospital, is on the faculty at the University of Colorado School of Medicine, supervises and teaches emergency room residents and also finds time for publishing, lecturing and consulting! He continues to have a small private practice which used to keep him busy full time. Believe it or not, he finds that his present schedule affords him more time with his family and that's very important to him. Bob and wife Anne have two children—a daughter, Hadley (6), and a son, Phillip (2). A medical conference took Bob to Minneapolis last October where he saw **Nat Forbes**, Sara Meyer '75 and **Peter Worthington**. ...**Jill Lacy** is also teaching medicine. She is on the faculty at Yale Medical School and, in fact, has been at Yale "basically ever since I left Middlebury." Her specialty is oncology. She misses Vermont but since her husband, David Coleman, is also on the Yale Medical School faculty, she thinks they will stay in New Haven for the foreseeable future. Jill has three children: Ethan (7), Sarah (5) and a new baby born last November. ...As class secretaries for less than a year, **Jim Ware** and I are learning what is involved in putting together these class notes. We realize now, more than ever, how much all of us in the Class of '74 are indebted to **Peter Colton** who had this "honor" for 10 years, much of it alone. Thanks a lot, Colt! Jim and I are enjoying the job, but it would be even more fun if we could have news from you. Please take a moment to let us know what's going on in your life. Not all of us have a recent child or a promotion or have weathered a hurricane. Perhaps the big news at your house is a great vegetable garden or volunteering at the local rec department soccer clinic. It doesn't have to be sensational for your classmates to be interested. So please, drop either of us a line or write to the College. The Alumni Office will pass your news along to us. And we'll be able to pass it on to everyone else.

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Class Secretaries: *Becca Gustafson Brown, 1 Roseland Road, Worcester, MA 01609, and Tony MacDonald, 313 5th St. NE, Washington, DC 20002.*

Tony MacDonald had lunch in Washington, D.C., last fall with **Walter Szudlo** who is an attorney and lobbyist for Shell Oil Corporation in the Capital. Walter is the father of two children and somehow finds time to play in an area band. ...**Sam Swope**'s book for children, *The Araboolies of Liberty Street*, was reviewed quite favorably by the *The New York Times Book Review* in late 1989. ...**Diana Stoianovich Revson** has moved with her husband, Charles, and son Trip to a new spot on Fifth Avenue. Her new address is 985 5th Ave., #11B, New York, NY 10021. ...Congratulations to **Chris Somple** and his wife, Miyuki Nagasawa, who were married in Bali last October. They live and work in California (520 Windham St., Santa Cruz, CA 95062). ...**Rick Goodwin** was in Middlebury last October attending the WRMC 40th anniversary dinner. ..."The Governors," a series produced by Vermont ETV, chronicles Vermont's dramatic transformation over the last 40 years through interviews with each of the six living former chief executives since 1958. The Green Mountain State in the late 1950s had been under Republican rule for 100 years; a poor, undeveloped state with high unemployment. Today the Democrats wield considerable power, the state's economy has grown steadily and development pressures are a major issue. This engaging series is the brainchild of **Chris Graff**, AP bureau chief in Montpelier, who is the series host. The program aired last fall and is available on video for school use. ...**Joseph** and **Philippa Billikopf Anderson** sent news of the birth of their third daughter, Stephanie Marshall, born May 22, 1989. The proud older sisters are Sarah (6) and Louise (4-1/2). ...**Karen McIntyre Jarvis** has moved, with her family, to the Detroit area where her husband has accepted a faculty position at Wayne State University Medical School and Children's Hospital of Michigan in pediatric rheumatology. Karen is on sabbatical from mortgage banking to devote time to little ones at home. Their new address if 952 Trombley Road, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230. ...Ten days before his death from AIDS in March 1987, **Jim Hurley** made a 35-minute tape to educate the public about the disease that took his life. The tape, which is being shown around New England by his two sisters, covers Jim's "experience with AIDS and how he was treated by others, and how he hoped people would treat people with AIDS," said Mary Young, one of his sisters. The two women plan to continue to present their brother's video and answer questions as long as there is public interest. Jim lectured on AIDS virtually until the end of his life, in hopes of raising public awareness and concern over this most far-reaching and deadly issue of our time. ...**Anne Marie Thompson Miller** wrote from Decatur, Ga., where she lives with her husband and three children, ages 11, 8 and 5. Anne Marie reports that she is still quite involved with the La Leche League, both in small group activities and at the state organizational level. She writes: "It often seems as if, whether you're going to Heaven or Hell, you change planes in Atlanta—all phone calls en route are welcome!" ...Anne Marie hears occasionally from **Gillian Blauvelt Capparelli**, who lives with her husband,

Ed, and children, Elizabeth and Dan, in Honduras, where Ed is a missionary. ...Congratulations to **Debbie Shadd** and her husband, Bill Grimm, who are the proud parents of a little boy, their third child, Michael Carl, born December 1, 1989, just in time to make it into this issue!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Jonathan L. Drake (Cathy Colton), 546 Hilaire Road, St. Davids, PA 19087, and Jim Vear, 5222 W. Winona, Chicago, IL 60630.*

Governor Madeleine Kunin named Dr. **Jan Kirk Carney** head of the Vermont Health Department in October 1989. Jan had served as deputy commissioner for a little more than a year. The Governor said that her appointment marks a change in direction for the department, with greater focus on environmental health issues and on early prevention, stressing "such issues as quality prenatal care, clean drinking water and prevention in areas of cancer, smoking and alcohol." Jan earned her medical degree at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, and also has a master's in public health. Prior to joining the Health Department, she worked for three years at IBM in Essex Junction, Vt., as a physician specialist in occupational medicine and internal medicine. She lives in Williston with her husband and their infant daughter. ...**Kevin Cummings** has been elected to the CPA partnership of KPMG Peat Marwick. Kevin joined Peat Marwick in 1977 as an assistant accountant, after receiving his MBA from Rutgers School of Business Administration. He lives in Summit, N.J., with wife Patricia and their three children, Katherine, Kevin and Mary Aileen. He is on the advisory board of the North Jersey Bank Administration Institute and also serves on the board of directors of North Jersey Junior Achievement. ...**Paul Tierney** writes that he and his wife, Peggie Cypher, who were married in June 1989, have been teaching English in Tokyo since August 1989. Paul, who has been teaching (and traveling) for the last six years, has taken a leave from his high school math and economics teaching position. ...After receiving her M.S. in chemistry from Virginia Commonwealth University in 1979, **Nancy Enright** became a staff writer for the American Chemical Society, a non-profit organization chartered by Congress in the public interest. She became news service manager in 1983 and last fall was named head of the department of public communication. Nancy has done graduate work in business administration at American University and is the co-author of seven technical papers in inorganic and polymer synthesis done at Argonne National Laboratory during her junior year at Middlebury. ...**Amy Panitz** is teaching third and fourth grades at the Southshire Community School, an independent, progressive elementary school located in North Bennington, Vt. Amy is developing curriculum and helping students develop strong reading, writing and math skills, while encouraging them to explore and appreciate great literature, natural sciences, history and the arts. She earned her master's in education from the Bank Street College of Education in New York City, and has studied Italian and art history at Universita Italiana Per Stranieri in Perugia, Italy. Amy and husband **John Hearst**, a family physician, live in Bennington with their two children. ...Congratulations to Chris and **Karen Aust Browning** on the birth of their daughter, Katherine Leeman, on August 23, 1989. ...**Betsy Sherman Walker** is no walker. She's *running* in her first marathon—the 1989 Delta Dental of Rhode Island Marathon (26 miles and 385 yards). She says, "I feel like I did before I got married, when I worried if I'd trip down the aisle. Am I nervous? Yes!" Running since her Midd days, it became a regimen when she moved to New York in 1978. "For five years I ran the Central Park route, and eventually got up to seven miles a day." Betsy married Jim Walker in 1984 and they moved to Tiverton, R.I., where a 3.5-mile layout replaced her Central Park run. For the last 15 months, Betsy has worked in Norwood, Mass., as a senior newspaper editor for Recourse Communications, a publisher of weekly employment journals. She has been running 7 miles daily and 10 miles on the weekends. She hadn't planned to enter the marathon, but "people told me if I had been doing 7-10 miles a day, it would be no problem." And after Rhode Island? "I'll probably daydream about qualifying for Boston," she said regarding the 3:45 standard for women 35-39, "but if I do finish, it will probably be just over four hours." We'll be on the lookout!

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Eric L. Peters (Libet Campbell), P.O. Box 1, Edgartown, MA 02539, and Mr. Robert C. Lindberg, 6 Jefferson St., E. Granby, CT 06026.*

Congratulations to several new parents: Dr. **Michele Harvan Montgomery** and husband Keith announce the birth of Elizabeth Anne on April 28, 1989. Michele also sent her change of address: 579 Catharine St. North, Hamilton, Ontario, L8L 4V4 Canada. ...Samuel Gilmour Grant was born on June 17, 1989, to Christopher and **Martha Brownell Grant**. Samuel has an older brother, Benjamin Brownell Grant, now three. ...Dan and **Laurie Ferguson Brownell** welcomed Buckman Thomas Brownell on July 9, 1989. ...Whitney Graham Stehlin Hunter arrived safely on October 9, 1989, to proud parents Jim and **Honey Stehlin Hunter**. Whitney's sister, Kirsten (11), and brother Colin (9) are really enjoying their new sibling. Honey is finding "mothering a baby actually fun and sleep deprivation not such a terrible thing" now that she's older and, yes, more mature! ...**Brad Johnson** has been selected by the directors of the Institute of World Affairs to be director of their international education institution and conference center. ...**Steve Procter** and his partner, Martin Hanft, play classical music on the guitar, lute, flute, and the recorder as the Procter-Hanft Duo. Steve, who is on the faculty at the Brattleboro (Vt.) Music Center, is also a touring artist with the Vermont Council on the Arts. ...**John Deakins**, now living in Fairfield, Conn., has been appointed vice president and national sales manager for the Christian Dior baby division of the William Carter Co. Guess we know who will be dressing all these new Midd arrivals! ...Also in Connecticut, **Greg Hickey** was the campaign treasurer last fall for Chuck Matties, Republican minority leader on the West Hartford Town Council. ...**Sue Pendleton** traveled last fall to Los Angeles, Phoenix and the Grand Canyon. It was her first visit to the canyon and she was pretty impressed. Other than that, Sue still works for AT&T in systems engineering, designing tools that people developing software would use. ...From Greenwich, Conn., **Mary Louise Viscardi** works part time at home for a publishing company while raising Kristen (6) and Katie (2). Mary is married to Ian Laird '76, who is based in New York City, but involved in a number of projects all over the country. Mary says she occasionally runs into **Jim Fier** and **"Jimbo" Lawrence**, who live nearby and also have two kids each. ...You should be receiving a mailing from us soon. Please jot down a few words and mail us your news. Our column would be barren without you! Many thanks.

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Class Secretaries: *Mrs. Arthur Hancock, Jr. (Lucy Newell), 15 Amber Road, Hingham, MA 02043, and Robert K. Race, 21 Willowdale Road, Topsfield, MA 01983.*

Lynn Rosik and husband Robert Cortright (373 Suncrest Ave. N.W., Salem, OR 97304) have a son, Nicholas Stewart Cortright, born July 10, 1989. ...**Court Chilton** was quoted last summer in a *Boston Globe* article about negotiating pay raises with your employer. He recommends that you stress how you have added value to your firm rather than stressing your personal needs. Court works for The Forum Corporation, a management training

Andrea and Joe Kinnealey '80 were married at the Eastern Yacht Club in Marblehead, Mass., on the "rainiest day of the decade" which occurred in September 1987. The rain didn't keep away Middlebury friends, however, including (from left, all '80 unless otherwise indicated): Ray Miolla, Heidi Reichenbach, Jennifur Fields, the bride, Michael Kinnealey '86, bridegroom Joe Kinnealey '80, Brooks Axelson, Steve Ahmann, Chris Axelson, Steve Garfield, Joe Devlin.

On the beach at the Tokeneke Club, there was cause for celebration following the marriage of Laura tenBroeke '82 and Douglas Rumbough (Denison '79) on August 26, 1989, in Darien, Conn. There to celebrate from Middlebury were (clockwise from top left) Lori Geiger Carlton '82, Greg Wheeler '78, Patty Job McGrath '82, Hannah Felton Lyons '82, Jim Manning '80, Sam Pierpont '84, Melissa Millan '82, Dani Shaw Virtue '82, the newlyweds, and Ted Virtue '82.

A great time was had by all at the August 15, 1987, marriage celebration of Juliet Ewing and Henry Pitney, both '80, in Haverford, Pa., including (in no particular order) Steve Tofield '80, Jane McKinnon '80, Dede Cummings '79, Steve Carmichael '79, Dave MacCrellish '80, Keith Kasper '80, Nancy Grant '79, Julia Ladds Hartman '80, Trina Kassler Waters '78, Ellen Starr '80, Geoff FitzGerald '80, Elizabeth Knup '82, Meg Stevens (Bread Loaf '84), Jon Hart '78, Chris Pratt '80, Steve Brock '80, Leah Sirkin '82, Kevin Johnson '84, Sande Lyon Johnson '83, Bo Duer Price '79, David Price (Eng. faculty), Steve Burke '81, Cindy Murphy '81, Warnick Kernan '80, Jeff Brodsky '79, Jim Whitton '80, Bill McGowan '78, Andy Woolford '79, Melissa Lynch Woolford '82, Gregg Martin '80, Richard Wiswall '79, Brad Ewing '83, Lawrence Ewing '86, Frisk Ewing '88, Annie Teasdale '80, John Farmer '78, Deb Highley '80, Richard Tarlov '79, Linda Cushing McInerny '80, Chris McInerny '80, Charlotte Glasser Benepe '78, Adrian Benepe, Micky Kann '78, Bennett Miller '80, Alisa Joyce '81.

and human resources consulting firm in Boston, Mass. ...**Maureen Brown-Lansaw** (490 4th St., Troy, NY 12180) is a school psychologist, while husband Ed works in the refrigeration/air-conditioning field. ...**Peggy Baldwin Briggs** has been promoted to vice president at HMM Associates, Inc., in Concord, Mass. She is the manager of the environmental science and planning division and has directed the preparation of environmental impact reports for several of Boston's most prominent projects. Under Peggy's direction, this division conducts environmental impact statements, environmental assessments, wetlands investigations, waterfront development planning, open space planning, and master planning. Peggy lives in Lexington, Mass., with her husband, Rick, and their two sons. ...**Valerie Cohen** has been promoted to partner in the law firm of Dewey, Ballantine, Bushby, Palmer & Wood of New York City. She received her law degree from Harvard University Law School in 1981 and then clerked for a justice of the New Jersey state supreme court before joining the law firm of Donovan Leisure in 1982. Valerie joined Dewey Ballantine in 1985. ...**Marti Mayne** was appointed director of communications for Sunday River Skiway Corporation last fall in Bethel, Maine. Prior to joining Sunday River, Marti was conference coordinator at the University of Southern Maine in Portland. Before that, she was a corporate projects coordinator for Gannett Co., Inc., in Arlington, Va. ...**Eleanor Tillinghast** now has her own mail-order catalog business which specializes in gourmet health foods. Before launching Eleanor & Company, she researched food companies, learned accounting, investigated legal ramifications and performed market research. Eleanor's first catalog, completed last fall, has 16 pages and 137 products—all low in sugar, fat, salt and cholesterol. The catalog costs $2 and is advertised in the magazines *Walking* and *Hippocrates*. Prior to this venture, Eleanor was a writer-researcher-producer of TV programs for the Democratic party in Washington, D.C. She currently shares a 19th-century wooden house with artist Morgan Bulkeley in Mount Washington, Mass. ...**Holly Platt Hubregsen** and her husband are teaching in an American school in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Their two children, Joshua (8) and Rachel (5), are enrolled at the same school. They have an extra bedroom and they welcome all visitors. You can write to Holly in care of the school: Associacao Escola Graduada de Sao Paulo, Caixa Postal 7432, 01051 Sao Paulo, SP, Brasil. ...Gene and **Kathryn Allwarden Cruz-Uribe** (3175 W. Brenda Loop, Flagstaff, AZ 86001) and daughters Alicia (6) and Mariana (3) have moved to Flagstaff, Ariz., where Kathy and Gene work at Northern Arizona University. She is assistant professor of anthropology and quaternary studies (the last 1.8 million years); he is in administration. They both continue to travel. Kathy spent two months in Cape Town, South Africa, last summer. Kathy reports that Flagstaff is gorgeous. They are at 7,000 feet with great hiking and skiing, and the Grand Canyon is only 70 miles down the road. They've already had a visit from **Annie Cappuccino**.

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Class Secretaries: *Sharon Flack Mussomeli, 6817 Market Square Drive, McLean, VA 22101, and Katie Weidman Jones, 2621 Canyon Falls Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32224.*

As we venture further into 1990, this issue's news brings information about more '79 transitions—marriages, new jobs and new addresses. Leading off the newly-wed group are Jenny and **Ken Peters** who were married at the end of May 1989 at the home of Jenny's parents in northern California. **John** and **Donna Brewer MacKenna** were among the guests. Ken and Jenny are making their home in Illinois where Ken is practicing law and Jenny is a classical violinst and pianist. ...On June 18, **Susan Peters** married Dr. Steven Levene at her parents' home in Duxbury. They spent their honeymoon biking through Yellowstone National Park and are now living in Jamaica Plain. Susan works as a counsel for Norton Company; her husband is on the radiation medicine staff at Massachusetts General and Waltham-Weston Hospitals. ...**Sarah Nichols** married Christopher Duffy on September 2, 1989, in Manhattan where they are both working. Sarah is employed by G.E. Capital; Christopher works for Prudential-Bache Securities. ...Transitions on the job front find **Peter Owens** joining the faculty of the College of the Atlantic in Bar Harbor, Maine, to teach courses in landscape design and urban planning. ...Back from a tour overseas, Dr. **Michael Sirois** (Fisher Road, Berlin, NH 03570) is the primary care provider at a Community Health Plan Center. ...**Mark Nejame** recently became an associate with the Northampton law firm of Morse, Sacks and Fenton. Mark also serves as the president of the board of directors of Multi-Service Health and is an associate member of the Northampton Conservation Commission. ...**Elizabeth Ackerman**'s name can be seen under the editing credits of CBS's *Sunday Morning* with Charles Kuralt. She continues to be happy keeping her home fires burning in Brooklyn.

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Class Secretary: *Melisa B. Stern, 67 Monument Ave., Charlestown, MA 02129, and Macy Lawrence Ratliff, 23717 2nd Ave. W., Bothell, WA 98021.*

With our reunion fast approaching (June 1-3, 1990), we would like to fill you in with some recent news of our class. There have been lots of activities and developments—which should make our reunion both interesting and exciting. Hope to see all of you there! ...**Barbara Banks** has returned from a year and a half of working and traveling in Europe. She and her fiance traveled from Iceland to Istanbul, built a wooden boat for a French artist, rode steam trains in central Turkey, sailed a felucca down the Nile and rode a rescue ship from Brittany to Norway. ...**Robin Bell** recently received an award for her paper, "Relocating the Margins of the Western Weddell Sea: Integrating Airborne Gravity and Geostat Derived Gravity." Robin is pursuing her graduate studies at Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory. ...**Linda Cushing McInerney** directed selections from *The Merchant of Venice* at a Shakespeare celebration in Deerfield, Mass., last April. Linda has worked both in New England and New York where she appeared in Off-Broadway productions. ...**Kevin Kelleher** attended an alumni basketball game at Middlebury. ...**Mark Aspinwall** and **Karen Genis** attended the Ron Brown lecture in Washington, D.C. ...**Diana Paine Alvares-Correa** attended a Civil War battle tour in Richmond, Va. ...**Lee Adams** and **Emily Langlie** attended an alumni reception with Russ Reilly in Seattle. ...**Daniel Lyons** is owner and operator of a sports tour company in Palo Alto, Calif. ...**Marjorie Williams** was married on December 4, 1988, to Fred Vandenberg (Georgetown '80). Marjorie is the financial manager and computer programmer for an architectural firm. Husband Fred is an importer/exporter of fresh fruits and vegetables. **Jan Friedhofer Kohl** and **Sue McDougall Gubisch** were at the wedding. **Neil Brisson** and **Sue Young Bell** could not make it as they were in other countries at the time. Marjorie and Fred are living at 26 East 81st St., #8N, New York, NY 10028. ...**Barb Yahr** competed in a New York conductors' competition last winter and made it to the semi-finals. ...**Louise Burpee** is now living in Ballantine, S.C., where she is practicing small animal medicine. She married Randy Basinger, a veterinary surgeon, in May 1988. They live on a lake with their four cats and two dogs. ...After serving as special assistant to the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources in Alaska for several years, **Ned Farquhar** became the associate director of the Vermont Natural Resources Council last summer. In February, Ned was the guest speaker at Bradford United Church, where he spoke "in celebration of creation and care of the environment." ...**Karen Jackson Birsky, Ian Douglas** and **Ken Sowles** attended Homecoming weekend at Middlebury.

...**Beth Stolley Drucker** and **Catharine Fergus Garber** attended a Chicago gathering. ...**Marion Lee Leonard** and **Melisa Stern** enjoyed an alumni cruise on Lake Champlain. ...**Yvette Morrill** was seen at the Boston Harbor Alumni Cruise and **Jane Hammond** attended a Washington, D.C., alumni cruise. ...**Karen Mayfield Seymour** visited the Shelburne Exhibition in Hartford, Conn. ...**Marion Lee Leonard** and husband John welcomed the birth of their third child, Laura Denny. ...**Julie Campoli** has received her master's degree in landscape architecture from Cornell University, achieving the Michael Rapucano Award for distinction in design. Julie was also awarded an Eidlitz Fellowship for the study of landscape abroad. She spent several months in Italy documenting and analyzing garden theatres. ...**Macy Lawrence Ratliff** received her master's in June from the University of Washington, along with the James Carroll Clinical Achievement Award and the National Student Speech Language Hearing Association Award for outstanding service. Macy is now working as an educational audiologist and as an adult aural rehabilitation specialist. She also works with families with young hearing-impaired infants through the University of Washington. ...Last July **Debbie Elliot** moved to London for 15 months to work in the international training division for Chase Manhattan. She is there as a team leader managing trainees going through the bank's entry credit program, as well as a liaison with line experts to provide ongoing corporate finance training to mid-level client executives in various European countries. ...**Marna Mraz** is living in Burlington, Vt., with her son, Jeremy. She started her own business at home since leaving the State's Attorney's office. She is a free-lance writer, while she also does editing, transcribing and keyboarding. She is happy to report that, although she has not advertised, she has been kept quite busy! ...**Janet Aylward Piazza** has left private practice to join Glenfed Financial Corporation, an asset-based lender, as in-house counsel. Janet and husband Mike are also busy these days getting settled into and working on their new house in Dallas. ...**Sally Rothchild** has joined a friend in opening a pottery studio and gallery, "Mugi," at 993 Amsterdam Avenue in NYC. Sally was back in Middlebury for a while last summer while she took a course at Frog Hollow Craft Center. ...Other visitors to Middlebury last summer included Don '78 and **Heidi Hunter Siegrist**, who live north of Boston in Amesbury. Heidi is director of the Stride Rite Day Care Center in Cambridge. ...**Peter Walker** and his partner founded Ryder/Walker Alpine Adventures in fall of '84 in Zermatt, Switzerland. Their company aims to provide the finest hiking vacations possible by combining superb hiking with fine hotels and food. Proof of their success is in their growth from 67 guests in 1985 to 170 in 1987. Their tours now extend beyond the Swiss Alps into adjoining alpine countries and even into the Scottish Highlands. ...More marriages for 1980: **Annie Stevenson** married Keith Knudsen in August 1988 at her parent's house in New Hampshire. They lived in Arcata, Calif., where Keith was finishing up his M.A. in geology and Annie taught at Humboldt State University. Last summer they moved to Millbrook, N.Y., where both Annie and Keith are teaching at the Millbrook School. Annie realizes this is quite a change after 10 years in California and looks forward to hearing from anyone in the area. ...**Peter Duncan** and Sylvia Allen '81 were married at Mead Chapel by Chaplain Scott on September 24, 1988. They had their reception aboard the *S.S. Ticonderoga* in Shelburne, before leaving to spend their honeymoon in the French West Indies. They are now living in Reading, Mass. Since completing his MBA at Amos Tuck, Peter is the marketing manager of custom hybrid products for SIPEX Corporation of Billerica. Sylvia is a senior financial analyst with Nixdorf Computer Corporation in Waltham. ...June 10, 1989, was the wedding date for **Bill Couch** and Deborah Rhynus in West Avon, Conn. They honeymooned in Montserrat, before returning to their home in Canton, Conn. Bill is manager of Valley Car Wash in Simsbury, while Deborah is a personal banking representative for Connecticut National Bank in Bristol. ...Kim Wilson '81 was married to Kate McIvor of Lafayette, Calif., on July 2, 1989, in Helena, Montana. Among the guests were **Paul Villadolid** and Andrew Wilson '82. After a honeymoon in Oregon and California, the couple returned to Helena, where Kim is a lawyer specializing in environmental issues and Kate works in the state department of health and human resources. ...**Jim Grossman** and Joy Dubin were married on September 24, 1989, on the Cape. The Midd guests joining in the celebration included Joe Champ '81, Polly Holyoke '81 (who traveled from Denver) and **Missi Stern**. After a trip to Nantucket, Joy and Jim returned to Guilford, Vt., where they are making their home. ...The April 29, 1989, wedding of **Greg Martin** to Patricia MacFarland in Atlanta, Ga., provided an opportunity for another '80 mini-reunion. Among those joining in the festivities were **Dave MacCrellish, Chris McInerney** and Jeff Brodsky '79, who—along with Greg—comprise the founding partners of SMEGCORP. They are pleased to announce the 10th Anniversary of SMEGCORP April 11, 1990. Based in Bethel, Maine, this group is dedicated to promoting peace and understanding in the world. They have championed many environmental causes, especially in Maine. They send their thanks to all alumni and friends who have helped them grow from their original 52 acres to over 70! ...The newest additions to the Class of '80: Joy and **Dominic Lloyd** welcomed Adrian Alexander on April 2, 1989. ...Tom '78 and **Pam Roller Stacey** became parents on March 31, 1989, with the birth of their son, Eric Thomas. Along with adjusting to parenthood, the Staceys are learning to live in California, as they were transferred to Los Gatos in May 1988, when Tom was made national director and general manager of marketing for TAB. Eric and Pam got a real taste of California living as they were grocery shopping during the San Francisco earthquake. Fortunately neither was hurt. ...Also safe in the San Francisco area are Bert and **Sue Young Bell** and their daughter, Joanna Caroline, born on Sptember 9, 1989. In October, Sue and Joanna had a mini-reunion with Pam and Eric in Palo Alto where the Bells are living. ...Simmee and **Rich Silton** and son Will (2) were joined on May 5, 1989, by Benjamin. The Siltons have moved to Northboro, Mass., from the Boston area. Rich is now president of Davis Press, a printing company in Worcester, Mass. He attended the "Valuing a Small Business" seminar in Boston last year. ...After spending the past year in Middlebury, your class secretary **Missi Stern** has returned to Boston. It was great to spend the year back in Middlebury, especially to help get The Vermont Country Kitchen up and going and successfully operating, but alas I missed the excitement of the city! I have returned to my place in Charlestown and helped to open Polo/Ralph Lauren. (Yes, yet another store and my third one in the Chestnut Hill Mall!) I am in the Home Collection and hope that all visitors to the Mall will stop by to visit. ...Homecoming brought back a large contingent of the Class of '80. It was great to see so many people. The highlight of the weekend was the presentation of the 1989 Young Alumni Achievement Award to **Ingrid Burke** in recognition of her "considerable contributions to the scientific literature on the state of our ecology and ecosystem processes." This was a well-deserved honor for Indy who is an assistant professor in the department of forest and wood science and research associate at the National Resource Ecology Laboratory at Colorado State University. ...Looking forward to seeing you in Middlebury for "The Class of 1980's Great Escape!"—June 1-3, 1990.

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Class Secretaries: *Elaine King, 3 Brattle Drive, #3, Arlington, MA 02174, and Joshua M. Horowitz, 2605 Ithaca Lane, Antioch, CA 94509.*

C.W. Davis married Susanne Albertsson (Tufts '81) on September 30, 1989, in Manchester, Vt. Joining the

When Sue Hurtt '84 married Kevin Johnson on June 24, 1989, in Bryn Mawr, Pa., they enjoyed the company of Middlebury friends (from left) Brenda Birmann '85, Margaret Goebel Fisher '84, Andrew Brockway '82, the newlyweds, Dana Curtis '84, Louise Hutchins '82, Jim Burke '84 and Ellen O'Toole '84.

Newlyweds Fred and Marjorie Williams Vandenberg '80 waltzed following their marriage on December 4, 1988. The Vandenbergs are living in New York City.

The Class of '86 was well represented at the July 22, 1989, marriage of Karen Rose and Eric Gonon '86 in Albany, N.Y.: (standing, from left) Mike Hering, Dave Gumbart, Dave Hewett, Ed Eppler, Tracie Fifer, Kirk Fleischer and Sean Jenkinson. Missing from the picture was Jeneva Burroughs, also '86.

The Fairfield, Conn., wedding of Carole Komornik '84 and Andrew Walker on December 30, 1988, brought together Middlebury well-wishers (from left, seated) Mariella Colvin '84, Hali Hellmuth '84, Betsy Thackery, Mike Hodosh '84, (standing) Macon Morehouse Gasque '86, Wendy Bashant '84, the newlyweds, Kee Cox '84, Andrew Mounds, Pam Bloch '87.

festivities were Middleburyites **Chris Goodman Smith, Polly Holyoke, Joe Champ, Tom Cagnina, Bill Porter** and Tom Calcagni '82. C.W. and Susanne honeymooned in Great Britain before settling down in Shelburne. ...September 10, 1989, was the wedding date for **Stacey Pogust** and Bruce Danziger (Dartmouth '83) in New York. In attendance were **Cyndy Strong, Tom Cagnina, Caren Hoffman** and **Todd Silverhart**. Stacey and Bruce traveled to Paris and Positano, Italy, for their honeymoon and now reside outside Syracuse (8793 Drumlin Hgts. Road, Baldwinsville, NY 13027). Stacey is working as media and public relations manager of Swatch Watch, USA. We hear that **Caren Hoffman** is in NYC working for NBC, in the advertising department. **Todd Silverhart** is in Farmington, Conn., where he is a research consultant for an employment data firm. ...Mt. Pocono, Pa., was the location for the wedding of **Jennifer Salmon** and Paul Gregorio on October 21, 1989. **Cindy Merritt** and **Bettina Mak Tripp** attended. The Gregorios are living in Portland (1526 N.E. Schuyler St., Portland, OR 97212) where Jenny is an information specialist at the Geriatric Education Center of Portland State University. ...**Joan Foster** was married on July 22, 1989, to Robert Evans (Rensselaer '71) near Killington, Vt. Joan and Robert honeymooned on Nantucket and are now settled down in Ashland, Mass. Joan still works for Northern Telecom but she says that she loves Vermont and spends as much time as possible skiing Killington. ...**Carol Spalding** was married on April 8, 1989, to Charles Wakamo. **Melanie Menagh**, Missi Stern '80 and Janet Aylward Piazza '80 attended. Carol and husband Charles are living outside of Atlanta (2005 Huntingdon Chase, Dunwoody, GA 30350). ...**Diane Locotos Stewart** and husband Bob proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Andrea Leigh, on October 2, 1989. Living in Haverhill, Mass., Diane is employed as a research scientist. ...**Ben** and **Linda Feldmann Roe** are in the Soviet Union until July. Linda was assigned there as a correspondent by her newspaper, the *Christian Science Monitor*. Ben is on leave from NPR. ...That's all the news, folks! Keep those cards and letters coming!

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Class Secretaries: *Polly Mitchell Ranson, 27 Lafayette St., Hopewell, NJ 08525, and Stephen P. Kiernan, 233 S. Lucas St., Iowa City, IA 52240.*

The *New York Times* reports that **Hendrick Kopperl** was married to Patricia Sidd on November 11, 1989, in Rye Brook, N.Y. Hendrick is a senior contract administrator for the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority in Boston and Patricia is the marketing manager for food services for Creative Gourmets Ltd. in Boston. ...Also tying the knot recently were **Al Wagman** and Elizabeth Toupal, married Labor Day weekend in Sherborn, Mass. Midd friends in attendance were Rich Wagman '84, **Andy Regan,** Chris Duncan '84, **Brian Weeks** and **Polly Mitchell Ranson**. Beth manages the men's department at Filene's in Wellesley, while Al is completing his MBA at Babson. Their new address is 14 Bear Hill Road, Sherborn, MA 01770. Al reports that **Scott Sandblom** is also attending the Babson Graduate School of Business. ...On September 9, 1989, **Kermit Cederholm** was married to Tara Hingston '87. Tara's a specialist in American decorative arts at the Skinner Auction Gallery in Bolton, Mass., while Kermit continues to run his painting conservation business out of their house (10 St. James Place, West Townsend, MA 01474). ...**Suzanne Griffin** (67 Portland Road, London W11, England) married Chris Frankel '74 in 1986, and received her MFA from NYU Film School in 1987. She worked in film production through '87 and '88. Her husband's promotion to director of Pan Am's international marketing, London division, led to their London move. ...**Brian Williams** has returned from Sri Lanka. Although unemployed, he did find occupation as an Orioles fan last season, catching a few games against the Sox in Fenway with **Dan Newberry**. Brian reports that **Melissa Pope** is hard at work on her dissertation at UVA, and that **Andrew Wilson** is fund raising and teaching Spanish at Grier School in Pennsylvania. Brian also wanted to ask if **Andy Kleit** still remembered Yaz's butt-first slide in Fenway, 'way back when? ...**Carrie Markgraf Blum** has surfaced in Miami (9880 S.W. 88th St., H-126, Miami, FL 33176) where she moved after 5 years at UVM getting her master's and Ph.D. in psychology. At the University of Miami psychology department, Carrie is teaching, doing research on recovery from stroke and supervising graduate students. She also finds time to work at a local shelter for homeless and abused animals. She and husband Phillip (married May 1989), who is a manager at a business and computer center, live south of Miami with their two Siamese cats. They are wondering if there are any Midd graduates in the area. ...**Isabel Dulfano** and **Ben Bromley** (7 Sachem Village, West Lebanon, NH 03784) were married on July 2, 1989. Ben's doing Ph.D. work in physics at Dartmouth while Isabel is writing her dissertation in Latin American literature at Yale University. Recently they saw **Beth Holtzman**, who had a baby in June, and **Blake Stimson**, who is producing "controversial art" while completing his MFA and MA in art history at the Museum School in Boston. **Jay Cook** played classical guitar at Isabel and Ben's wedding while his adorable son looked on. ...**Lisa Bowen** was married to Kelly Campo on August 1, 1987. Now known as Lisa Bowen-Campo, her address is 8026-11th N.W., Seattle, WA 98117. ...**Elizabeth Tonon** (Box 65-1778, FPO Seattle, WA 98765-1600) married Dean Coffin in July '86. They also have a Siamese cat, making the Siamese clearly the cat of choice for '82 grads! Elizabeth completed medical school at UVM in '87, her internship in San Diego in '88, and is now serving in the Navy as an emergency physician in Yohosuka, Japan. Eventually she hopes to be an ophthalmologist in Maine. ...**Cam Tyler** (572 Arapahoe Ave., Boulder, CO 80302) is "just working hard as a lawyer in Denver." He's also doing volunteer work for community action programs and trying to figure out how to affordably renovate the 100-year-old house he and wife Karen Eckrich '80 bought next to the mountains. Cam helped Andy Mayer '81 organize the annual Midd summer picnic, which was a great success. He and Karen enjoy having visitors, especially if they like to babysit (they have one son, Sam, who is 1-1/2). ...**Betsy Currier Beacom** (761 Whitney Ave., New Haven, CT 06511) is glad to be back in New England after being in the South for six years. Since teaching full time last year, she's back to working on her doctoral dissertation (for U.Va.) in English and is also a part-time writer and editor at Yale's Bush Center in Child Development and Social Policy. Husband Matthew is a rare book cataloger at Yale's Sterling Library. ...**Jim Ralph** (77 Main St., Apt #2, Middlebury, VT 05753) can be found in Monroe 303, checking out Midd life from the other side. He reports that the history department faculty is as kind to new faculty members as it is to Midd undergrads. He's looking forward to seeing any '82 grads who are back in town. ...**Julie Howell Kimbell** (414 Clayton Road, Durham, NC 27703) is doing a post-doc at the Chemical Industry Institute of Toxicology in Research Triangle Park, N.C., applying mathematical fluid dynamics to toxicity in the upper respiratory tract. ...**John Buerger** (4615 San Jacinto Ave., Atascadero, CA 93422) has left the Sacramento area to become the operations manager and morning man for SLY-96, the #2 radio station in "the last paradise in California—San Luis Obispo." Jonathan Harte, as he is known on the radio, is thoroughly enjoying the S.L.O. life and the challenge of making the station #1. ...**Lissa McKinley Gilkeson** is a senior resident in internal medicine and is going to be chief resident next year. This winter she and husband Chip (an intern in radiology) will be returning to Zambia, Africa, to continue their work on cerebral malaria in children at a mission hospital. ...By the time you read this, **Francois Lambert** will have returned from his teaching position in Korea. ...After stints at Bank of New England and Bay Banks, **Steve "Bogey" Law-**

rence was promoted to commercial mortgage officer at Amoskeag Bank in Nashua, N.H., last September. ...The multi-talented **Harriet Diamond Borriello** has joined the faculty at Loomis Chaffee School, where she is teaching English and Latin, as well as making use of her experience in ballet and piano, and assisting in a dormitory. ...**Doug Woodsum** has published more than 20 poems in recent times and has work forthcoming in the *Denver Quarterly* and *Yankee*. Woody was recently a guest poet in **Stephen Kiernan**'s interpretation of literature class at the University of Iowa. Kids love it. He still divides his time between Bread Loaf and Cape Elizabeth, Maine. ...**Katrina Kamantauskas-Holder**, son Edward (2), and husband Darwin moved back down to Maryland where Katrina is an attorney for Piper and Marbury in Baltimore. No word yet on the results of the Maryland bar exam that she and Darwin took in July. ...**Ari Fleischer** (614 Maryland Ave., N.E., #4, Washington, DC 20002) is the press secretary for Sen. Pete Domenci, R-N.M. ...**Debra Raicek** (4854 Cote des Neiges, #2001, Montreal, Quebec H3V1G7, Canada) has graduated from McGill Law School and is in her second year of practicing corporate law with a firm in Montreal. ...**Margaret Miller** got her Ed.D. in counseling psychology from B.U. in May 1989. She is now a child, adolescent and family therapist at South Shore Mental Health Center. She has been to South Africa twice in the last two years to visit relatives. ...**Jonathan Kamien**, Ph.D., is a research associate directing the Behavioral Science Primate Laboratory at Harvard Medical School's Alcohol and Drug Abuse Research Center (McLean Hospital, 115 Mill St., Belmont, MA 02178). While the job is very challenging, Jonathan is happy to be able to stay in New England and hopes to see classmates this winter at Mad River Glen. ...**Steve Burton** (68 Wild Duck Road, Stamford, CT 06903), worked in Philadelphia for four years, earned his MBA at Northwestern, and is now doing real estate analysis for GE Investments in Stamford. He reports that **Stu Richards** is working with buildings and grounds at Tuck, taking courses on the side. ...**John Hake** is finishing up a year at a prestigious research institute in Japan after studying botanical engineering at Berkeley. He expected to be back in the States just in time for the '90s. ...**John Vergara** (147 E. 97th St., #2-W, New York, NY 10029) is a broker for Lloyds of London, handling financial reinsurance and Latin American business. He also runs a small painting and renovation business on the side and sees **Jib Martens** and **Nancy Reille** quite often. ...**Brian Goldman** (8 Cady St., Providence, RI 02903) graduated from B.U. School of Law in May '88. He's practicing with the firm of Goldman and Biafore in Providence, concentrating in environmental and administrative law. ...**Heidi Reichenbach** (301 W. 53rd St., #25G, New York, NY 10019) vowed she'd never live in New York City again and look where she wound up after getting her MBA from Tuck and working as a marketing manager for TriStar Sports in Connecticut! She's in the marketing department of Best Foods in New Jersey and sees a lot of **Mimi Gleason** and **Melissa Millan**. ...**Judy Brusslan** (4161 Minerva Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90066-5435) is a post-doc at UCLA studying plant molecular biology, having finished her Ph.D. in November 1988 from the University of Chicago. She's having a great time in sunny, warm L.A., hiking, biking and even doing a little research. ...Michael and **Caryn Underhill Harkins** have a daughter, Courtney Lyons Harkins, who has just celebrated her first birthday. ...**Paula Carr** (201 E. 86th St., New York, NY 10028) has finished her MBA at NYU and has been promoted to vice president, middle market banking, at Chemical Bank. While studying for a semester at the London Business School she ran into **Priscilla Coburn**, who was studying at the London School of Economics. ...**Bruce Klingner** was in Vienna, Austria, as a member of the U.S. delegation to the Negotiation on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe. He reports that the highlight of the trip was when he and two other U.S. delegates, representing all of NATO, faced two Soviets and two Czechs across the negotiating table and resolved differences between the two sides which led to a common agreement on artillery weapons. ...What about the rest of you? Write and let us know what you're doing.

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Class Secretaries: *Allison D. Burroughs, 2429 Locust St., #202, Philadelphia, PA 19103, and Kenneth F. Edwards, 97 Fayreweather St., Cambridge, MA 02138.*

Randy Mahoney has been promoted to vice president at Baybank Middlesex, where he is responsible for new corporate business development, middle market lending and portfolio administration for over 50 commercial clients in the Boston area. In addition to working at the bank, Randy is also active with the Archdiocesan Youth Scholarship Fund and the United Way of Massachusetts Bay. ...**Brian Napack** is working as an associate at A.T. Kearney, Inc., where he works primarily on marketing and strategy projects. On the side he keeps busy attending the weddings of Middlebury friends and playing rugby. ...Our most famous class athlete, **Dan Pryor**, was written up in the fall issue of *Creating Excellence* in an article entitled "Four Vermont Athletes." The article focused on his climbing activities, with the emphasis on his Mount Everest expedition. He's now director of environmental planning for Bolton Valley Resort, a job which requires him to do things like "go out in the heaviest rain and look for erosion!" ...**Kathy Carlson** is spending a year at the National Regional Conservatory in Angiers, France, having been awarded a Rotary International Endowed Scholarship. Her instrument is the harpsichord. She received a degree in organ performance from the New England Conservatory of Music in 1988. All those lucky enough to be in France should look her up. ...**Clare Petersberger** has been ordained as a Unitarian Universalist minister by the congregation of the Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church. She received her Master of Divinity from the Harvard Divinity School and now serves as the minister of the Unitarian Universalist Church in Midland, Texas. ...**Janet Montgomery** is teaching in the Rangeley, Maine, public school system. Prior to that, she taught for five years at Carrabasset Valley Academy. Her specialty is physical science and she has had extensive experience as a ski coach. ...**Chandler Bohnn** was a vice president of Prescott Mallory Howe, Inc., which is an adventure travel company for adults, before she returned to business school. After graduating from Middlebury, she led a bicycle tour in England and France. A year later, she led a second trip for the same company and then returned to New York to work for the company full time. Four years later, the owners of that company sold out, leaving Chandler unemployed. Following a trip to Nepal, she and some colleagues from the now-defunct travel company started Prescott, Mallory, Howe Inc. ...**Debbie Varnum Tong** and husband Kyle had a baby daughter, Emily, in May '89. Emily weighed a scant 3 lbs. 12 oz. at birth, but she's now healthy, happy and enjoying life with her parents and big brother in the mountains of southern California. In addition to being a mom, which she loves, Deb is doing some tutoring. ...**Skipper** and Beth Dorion '85 **Wyer** gave birth to a bouncing baby boy, Samuel Dorion Wyer, on September 5, 1989. ...Phil and **Karey Dubiel Dye** have a baby girl, Elizabeth Jensen Dye. The Dyes have a new house and would love to see any Midd personalities who land in Houston (10027 Doliver, Houston, TX 77042). ...**Andy Milliken** married Nancy Locke Winship on May 13, 1989. Andy is a research assistant and graduate student in oceanography at the University of Rhode Island, Narraganset. His wife is the assistant program director at the Westerly, R.I., YMCA. ...**Amy Silverman** married Bill Carroll on June 24, 1989, in Washington, D.C. They honeymooned in Turkey and are now living in the D.C. area (1020 N. Quincy St., #509, Arlington, VA 22201). This sort of counts as a Midd statistic since Bill went to the German Language School in 1983. ...A definite Midd statistic is the marriage of **John Morrison** and **Carolyn Kuntz**. The two can now be reached at 153 Main St., Concord MA 01742. ...**David Christopher** wed Alice McPherson Dibble on June 24, 1989. Dave is a portfolio manager for Sanford C. Bernstein and Company, an investment management and research firm in New York City. ...**Felice Mueller** married Christopher Dion Pierce on September 16, 1989, in Seattle, Wash. They can be contacted at 4732 Twenty-second Ave. N.E., Seattle, WA 98105; 206-523-3684. ...**Leslie Leete Smith** and Bernard G. Sykes, III, married on October 15, 1989, can be reached at 815 Main St., Harwichport, MA 02646. ...**John Weeks** married Gail Williams on April 22, 1989. John is a vice president commercial loan officer at the Shawmut bank in Taunton, Mass. Their address is 136 North Washington St., Norton, MA 02766. ...Ian and **Amy Gabriel Wallis** announced the birth of their daughter, Hilary Lael, on April 21, 1989. Amy is enthralled with motherhood and living happily in Newburyport, Mass. ...**Lisa Seyferth** teaches kindergarten in Newton, Mass.

Following the Washington, D.C., wedding of Jay Brodmerkel and Lisa McCloskey, both '87, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. McCloskey, in Chevy Chase, Md., occasioning a great reunion for several Middlebury friends: (from left, back row) William Nadel '87, Ward Dennis '60, Greg Lupica '87, Jacques Heim '87, John Woolley '87, Ramiro Prudencio '87, Doug Weekes '87, (front row) Laura Bull '85, Jan Young Dennis '62, Kristen Suokko '87, Amy Beckwith '87, Heather Dennis '88, Evan Flinn '87, Bill DiAdamo '87, Catherine Crawford '87, Cynthia Carter '87, Kristine Rigopulos '87 and the newlyweds (seated).

...**Debbie Smith** has finished her master's in social work at the University of Minnesota and is putting it to use in work with senior citizens. ...**Jeff Moger** is in Zhengzhou, People's Republic of China, for two years. "Moge" is teaching English at Henan College of Education. ...Current and former windsurfers on Dunmore will be jealous when they learn about **Amanda Hurt Fegley**. Amanda and husband Andy, as we mentioned in our last column, are licensed captains running a private yacht professionally. They do everything from writing the checks to navigating the boat and planning a trip itinerary. The funny part of it is, Amanda's boating career never graced the waters of Lake Dunmore. After graduation, Amanda moved to Annapolis, Md. Andy Fegley, her boyfriend at the time and a trained marine electrician, bought a 40-foot cabin cruiser which they used to sail to the Florida Keys in the winter of '86. What began as a six-month LOA from a safe job became a way of life for Amanda. After Amanda and Andy were married in October of '87, a friend they'd met in the boating community asked if they would be crew for a trip to the Caribbean on his 50-foot yacht. Amanda and Andy excitedly accepted. Since that first trip they've captained trips to the Windward and Leeward Islands, Grenada and various other outposts throughout the South Atlantic. Needless to say, it's an exciting life. "There's so much that goes on," Amanda says. "No boating experience is ever the same. You're never lulled into complacency in the boating world." Amanda and Andy were being anything but complacent right from the start of their first trip. While sailing the 1,200 miles from North Carolina to the Caribbean, the rookie crew fought 35 foot waves and up to 50 knots of wind. Believe it or not, they were in the middle of the Bermuda Triangle. Amanda described the experience this way: "Imagine yourself climbing up the side of a condo and shooting down the other side in a matter of seconds. That's what it felt like." Despite meeting many interesting and fun-loving people, Amanda can't see captaining yachts long-term. "You see a lot of places and meet a lot of neat people, but not too many crew people do it past their 30s." However, for now Amanda admits that it's fun being part of the "boating sub-culture." Like Ray Kinsella in *Field of Dreams*, Amanda and Andy weathered risks and took advantage of an opportunity when it presented itself—and they're happy for it, too.

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Class Secretaries: *Cecil Marlowe, 2432 Kenilworth Road #A, Cleveland Hts., OH 44106; and Kristin Smith, 68 Commonswealth Ave., #2, Boston, MA 02116.*

J. Peter Nytzen has received his M.B.A. from Dartmouth's Amos Tuck School and is now working in the Stockholm office of McKinsey & Co., Inc., an international management-consulting firm. ...**Mark Payne**, who lives in New York City, was promoted from account executive to the position of account supervisor on the Citibank Mastercard and Visa account at Lowe Marschalk, Inc. ...**Elizabeth Merrick** was wed to Gerard Vecchio '83 on May 13, 1989, in Chatham, N.J. The couple will reside in New York City where Elizabeth works as a German translator and Gerard is a senior associate in corporate finance for Nesbitt Thomson Securities. ...Word has it that **Mike Graham**, now living in Anchorage, Alaska, was the second-time winner of the Mount Marathon, a 3.5 mile race/climb up a monstrous peak. ...**Dave** and **Birgit Munte Stueber** are living in New York City. Birgit works as a marketing research analyst for Westvaco in Manhattan; Dave is a lending officer at Bank of New York. ...**MaryAnne Herlihy** has just moved into a new townhouse with Toni Mauck '85 in the South End of Boston. ...**Merrit Maddux** is a marketing officer for Manufacturers Hanover Trust in care of the Hong Kong pouch. ...**Helen Gregory Kwak** is living in Tokyo, Japan. ...**Julie Morrison** is studying for her M.B.A. at Northwestern University. ...**Geoffrey Hale** and **Ruthie Hill** are also pursuing their M.B.A.s at the University of Virginia's Darden School. ...**Pam Smarling**, who lives in Gilmanton, N.H., is a committee researcher for the New Hampshire House of Representatives. ...**Neal Ringquist** is an assistant treasurer with Bankers Trust Company in Jersey City. ...**Clay Ernst** is a naval aviator stationed in Virginia Beach. ...**Duff Allen** reports that he is living in Finland. ...**J.D. Sullivan** works for Keane, Inc., in Boston. ...**Bill Shackelford** is a law clerk for the Honorable Terrence Boyle in Elizabeth City, N.C. ...**Bob McNamara** lives in Lexington, Mass., and works as a sales manager for the Wilmington Builders Supply Company. ...**Elizabeth Rand** works for McLaren/Chemrisk in Portland, Maine, as an environmental consultant. ...**Tom Knox** is an associate for Tucker, Flyer, Sanger & Lewis in Washington, D.C. ...**John Lunbeck** is a graduate student at the University of Washington in Seattle. ...**Allyn Johnston** is an editor with H.B.J. Children's Books in San Diego, Calif. ...**Kathy Hansen** works for Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, N.M. ...**John Gannon** is an associate with Paul, Frank and Collins in Burlington, Vt. ...**Tracy Weidman** lives in San Francisco. ...**Kristin Smith**, who lives in Boston with **Allison Wheatley**, is a student at the Kennedy School of Government. ...Here is a correction from last quarter's publication: **Richard Morse** lives in Philadelphia, not Cambridge. ...**Rich Meringolo** is an assistant vice president in commercial lending for the Bank of Boston in New Bedford, Mass. ...**Jeremy Koff** is an evaluator for the General Accounting Office in San Francisco. ...**Sue Hurtt** lives in Ann Arbor, Mich. ...**Mike Garcia** is a medical student at the University of Rochester. ...**Bob Cooper** is studying at the Suffolk University Law School in Boston. ...**Janet Power** is pursuing graduate studies at the University of Michigan's School of National Resources. ...**Kathleen Marryat** is an assistant manager in the Gold Card marketing division of American Express in New York. ...**Pam Flodman**, living in Irvine, Calif., is a graduate student in genetic counseling at the University of California. ...**Leslie Wright**, who lives in Ripton, Vt., is self-employed as a free lance writer for Coyote Communications. ...**Jennifer McGonagle** is a professor and student of French at New York University. ...**Margaret Goebel Fisher** is back in St. Louis with husband Jeff '82 and twins, Molly and Bear. ...**Matt Ellenthal** is a marketing executive for Catalog Media Corp. in Memphis, Tenn. ...**Cliff Nelson** lives in San Francisco, Calif. ...**Marian Yee** is a teaching assistant and graduate student in the English department at the University of Michigan. ...**Ham Hackney** is a lawyer with the firm of Parsons, Bohle & Latimer in Salt Lake City, Utah. ...**Jane Saacke**, who earned a master's degree from U.Mass./Boston in public policy and management, is director of administration for the Big Sisters Association of Boston. ...**Paul Perrotta** is a buyer for NEC America, Inc., in Woburn, Mass. ...**Laura Pendley** is a critical care nurse at the Duke University Medical Center in Durham, N.C. ...**Dana Morosini** lives in Williamstown, Mass. ...**Craig Mayo** works for Vermont National Bank. ...**Craig Hart Dynowski**, living in Hartford, Conn., is involved in the performing arts. ...Among those in attendance at recent alumni functions were **Dana Curtis, Rebecca Bayless Theobald**, and **Allison Wheatley**, who attended the Alumni Leadership Conference, as well as **Jane Brayton Burchard** and **Bob Crews**, who attended an alumni reception at the Community Boathouse in Burlington. ...**Jeffrey "J.C." Connolly, Jim Harrington, Rick Makin, Mason Wells, Brian O'Day** and **Dave Wagstaff** all participated in the Gordie Perine Alumni Golf Tournament. ...**Jim Harrington** also attended a reception in Boston to welcome the Class of '89 to the Hub. ...**Jon Joseph, Tom Knox** and **Elizabeth Ross** attended Homecoming '89. ...**Heather Lank-Fortier** and her husband, Peter Fortier, have moved to Massachusetts. Heather is on the brink of finishing her Ph.D. and Peter has earned an M.B.A. ...**Wendy Hamilton**, back from her stint in the Netherlands, is back at Dartmouth's Tuck School of Business. ...Dennis Rourke '83 has gone back to business school at M.I.T.'s Sloane School for international trade and finance. He and wife Deborah (formerly Zelcher, Smith College '85) live in Cambridge. Those present for their wedding ceremony in September 1989 included **Will Porter** (in medical school at Brown University), **Bill Martin** (working in commercial real estate), **Erich Pessl** (third year medical student at University of Washington, Seattle), **David Eddie** (writing for a TV network in Toronto), **Jay Shuchart** (attending law school at University of Missouri in St. Louis) and **Anne Conway Juster** (teaching 7th grade in Cleveland). ...**John Van Amsterdam** is another degree candidate, working on a Ph.D. in biochemistry at M.I.T. He and wife Christine, who is an assistant vice president at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, live in Cambridge. ...**Scott Cooper** and **Pete Lane** both finished Suffolk University Law School in June 1989 and have also passed the Bar exam. Coincidentally, they also both got married in August! Scott married Diana Hegarty '85 and Pete married Vicki Kotarski. ...If you have any other news on Class of 1984 alumni, please call or write your class secretaries, **Kristin Smith** or **Cecil Marlowe**, at the addresses above. We look forward to hearing from you. Thanks.

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Class Secretaries: *Katherine Champion, 22 Mt. Auburn St., Cambridge, MA 02138, and Andrew Gluck, 61 Unity Ave., Belmont, MA 02178.*

'Twas the night before reunion
and all through the land,
'85ers are getting ready
to strike up the band.
The banner is hung
from Bread Loaf Barn with care,
In hopes that good buddies
Soon will be there.

This is the last chance for us to remind everyone to come to our 5th Reunion (June 1-3, 1990). BE THERE OR BE SQUARE!! Backing up the ever-hard-to-follow class notes calendar—we had a great showing at Homecoming '89. In attendance were **Deb Tripp, Nancy Urner Thorburn, Meg Storey, Toni Mauck, John Denny, Kley Parkhurst, JP Tracey, Doug White, Pete Lamson, Pat O'Donoghue, Bill Baskin, Tom Loewald, Bill Betz, Martha Himes, Dede Crough, Katie Hall, Jen Fisk, Mimi Harding Owen, John Owen, Mike Boardman, Don Hall, Jim Ammeen, Paul Richardson, Alice Vail, Tom Bright, Walt Donnelly, Gus Gerulskis, Rebecca Liston**, and **Mark McInerney**, all of whom are doing exciting things with their lives. JP is now a practicing doctor; Doug recently returned from a long stint in Central America; and Jen is doing well in the insurance biz in Hartford, Conn. ...**Cam "Smokey"**

Fordyce and **Mary Conceison** are doing fascinating work with their Russian degrees. Mary is teaching Russian at Brookfield High School in Connecticut. Cam is one of three partners at a company called Kaleidoscope in Quincy, Mass. His company uses 500 independent interpreters around the nation to provide language services to businesses. ...'Way out to Wyoming, **Adair P. Mali** is living in Jackson Hole (Box 219, Zip 83001) where she is private lands director for the Jackson Hole Alliance for Responsible Planning. Unfortunately, she won't make reunion because of two weddings to attend. ...**Nancy Metcalfe** and **Dave Tegeler** were married at the First Presbyterian Church in Fairmont, N.J., last fall. Nancy is a loan officer for the Bank of New England. Dave is an associate with Testa, Hurwitz & Thibeault law firm. ...**Robin Russ Aborn** was married on May 20, 1989, and now lives at 5 Rhinecliff St., Arlington, MA 02174. ...**Dave "Morty" Morton** is living in Melrose, Mass., and working for DBL Printing. ...**Regan Remillard** is working for Commerce Insurance. ...**Lisa Schmeichel Crocker** and husband Lou '83 are living in Edmonton, Canada, working in the chemistry department at the University of Alberta (10909 79th Ave. Edmonton, AB CAN T6G99). ...Remember, get in touch with **Kim Davis Gluck, Andy Gluck** or **Toni Mauck** if you have Reunion ideas or questions, or if you want to figure out transportation. See you there! Merry Reunion to all, and to all a goodnight.

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Class Secretaries: *Suzanne Duncan Simmonds, 778 Mill Hill Road, Southport, CT 06490; John B. Briggs, P.O. Box 47, Bedford, NH 03102; and James H. Bromley, Jr., 829 Harriton Road, Bryn Mawr, PA 19010.*

Well, our classmates certainly haven't stopped trying new careers or pursuing interesting opportunities, and they still keep getting married! ...**Erin Quinn** is the new head lacrosse coach and football defensive backfield coach at Lake Forest College. Erin earned his master's degree in teaching at Tufts University and then spent three years there as the assistant coach for lacrosse and two years for football. Erin's address is Lake Forest College, 8 Campus Circle, Lake Forest, IL 60045. ...**Julia Morris**, also a graduate of Tufts with a master's in teaching, is teaching English at Stoneham (Mass.) High School. Julia's address is 18 Hillsdale Road, Medford, MA 02155. Julia was also on the Boston Boat Cruise last August. Others on the cruise were **Ann Albern, Sarah Christel, Tom Farrell, Melissa Marquardt, Chris Langlois, Cathy Stifel, Lyle Fulkerson, Kathy Angstadt, Tim Crowley, Barb Curtis** and **Ed Ryter**. We'd love to hear any news about the rest of you. ...**Sarah Lewis** graduated summa cum laude from Syracuse University Law School and was the valedictorian of her class. She won several awards while at Syracuse: the Boland Scholarship, the Syracuse University College of Graduate Law Prize, the American Law of Zoning Award, special academic awards for administrative law, constitutional law, property, decedents' estates and trusts, as well as the Anderson Publication Award and recognition for the highest first- and second-year averages. Sarah has accepted a position with Nixon, Hargrave, Devans & Doyle in Rochester, N.Y. Her address is 794 Elmwood Terrace, Rochester, NY 14620. ...**Gary Domoracki**, a 1989 graduate of Boston U. School of Law, has taken a position with James J. Fiorentini law offices as a full-time associate. ...**Susan Rockwell** has won the G. Bruce Dearing Writing Award for the third year from SUNY Health Science Center where she is a third-year student at the College of Medicine. Her essay this year "The Health Care Game: Who Plays? Who Pays?" related the "innermost thoughts and concerns of a young, pregnant mother on Medicaid." Congratulations Susan! ...**Jennifer Watling** (141 Davis Ave., Greenwich, CT 06830) loves working as the operations coordinator for the Arts & Entertainment Cable Network. ...**Julie Lambert** is entertaining New Yorkers and others in the Broadway version of *Meet Me in St. Louis* which opened in early November. Julie plays the older sister, Rose, and reviews have praised the lavish and elaborate set pieces which include everything from the moving trolley car to ice skaters on a "rink" and a wonderful finale of the World Fair opening. ...Another interesting career is **Dave Gumbart**'s involvement with conservation of wetlands around New Haven, Conn. Dave reports to the Inland Wetlands Commission and his daily responsibilities involve researching applications to work or build around wetlands, inspecting sites and keeping an eye out for rare birds. Dave spent a year at the State Dept. of Environmental Protection's Wildlife Bureau as a biologist's assistant. He would like someday to work for a conservation organization with the environment as its main priority. ...**Steve Sullivan** had a close call while helping a friend build a home. As they were trying to staple up the Tyvek, Steve's friend decided to use the payloader to get to the higher areas they couldn't reach from the ladder. Steve stood in the bucket while his friend went to adjust the height. His friend accidentally caught a hydraulic control as he was climbing into the cab and the bucket released. Steve was pinned between the bucket and wall, but fortunately escaped serious injury by only a few inches. You can read his whole story in the Oct./Nov. issue of *Fine Homebuilding*. ...**Nathaniel Barber** married Barbara Lilley May 20, 1989, in Ann Arbor, Mich. Barbara graduated from the University of Michigan and is the preservation librarian at Northwestern University. Nathaniel is a paralegal with Jenner & Block in Chicago, where the two are living after a honeymoon to Cozumel. ...**Kate Wallace** and Paul Perrotta '84 were married in South Hamilton, Mass., on June 17, 1989. **Pam Grady** and **Sue Whitty** were bridesmaids. Kate and Paul are living in Somerville (762 Broadway #3, 02144) while she attends Suffolk University Law School and he works for Raytheon Service Co., as a buyer. ...June 24 was the wedding day for **Nathan Burt** and Lynda McLaughry in Hanover, N.H. Nate's ushers were **Michael Hering** and **Adam Silverman.** Lynda, a Dartmouth graduate, works in the Middlebury school system. Nate is working for the College and they live in East Middlebury. ...**Jonathan Detwiler** married Laurie Habiby in Riverside, Conn., on September 1, 1989. **John Kirk** was the best man. A graduate of Hobart-William Smith College, Laurie is a human resource associate with Clean Harbors, an environmental firm in Braintree, Mass. Following a honeymoon trip to England and Scotland, Jon and Laurie live at 30 Old West Elm St., Pembroke, MA 02359. Jon owns Buttonwood Renovations in Pembroke. ...**Ashley Bourne** and **Brad Dewey** were married September 24, 1989, in Greenwich, Conn. Ashley is the special projects director at *Harrowsmith* Magazine in Charlotte, Vt. Brad is the creative director at WPTZ-TV, the NBC affiliate in Burlington. **John Moyers** was Brad's best man. ...That brings us up to date on class news, but I'm sure there are many of you who have not let us know what exciting things you are doing. Please drop one of us a note and we'll include it in the next column.

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Class Secretaries: *Dorrie Paynter, 548 East 82nd St., #6E, New York, NY 10028, and John K. Zehner, Canterbury School, New Milford, CT 06776.*

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Class Secretaries: *Pam Lawson, 8 Campus Circle, Lake Forest, IL 60045, and Jim Calise, 5 Lowell Circle, #3, Somerville, MA 02143.*

Well, now that the flow of mail to the class secretaries has come to an almost complete halt, this column will be short and sweet. ...Great weather, combined with the Columbus Day holiday, made Homecoming '89 a great weekend: We even won the football game against Bates! It was a great chance to catch up with classmates that you hadn't seen in a while, take a break from the studies, or just get out of the cities for the weekend. ...**Laurie Micco** is now working as a health care analyst for Empire Blue Cross/Blue Shield in Manhattan. ...**Glenn Yeaker** is an account executive at Follis & Verdi. ...**Cara Walther** and **Jeff Storey** are in their first year of Dartmouth Medical School. ...**Scott Jaunich** and **Sara VanGenderen** entered Vermont Law School in the fall. ...Other people who were spotted at Homecoming included **Vicky Herrera, Scott Frodyma, Susan Eppes, Susan Wysoki, Kimberly Welsh, Frisk Ewing** (who is living outside of Boston), **Joan Rice** (who is working for an insurance company in Buffalo) and **Pam Freeman** (who enjoyed a weekend away from her job at the South Street Seaport Museum in NYC). ...Some of the long distance classmates: Russ and **Melissa Perry Penton** came up from Mississippi, while **Leslie Admirand** and **John Theiss** came in from Chicago. Leslie is now paralegaling in Chicago, having left San Francisco before the October earthquake. (The earthquake seems to have spared the '88ers in the Bay Area from any major damage or injury, including **Melissa Duryea** who is a researcher at Bendix Environmental Research in S.F. ...Back in Chicago, **Margie McDonald** is working for Children's Memorial Hospital as a foundation fund-raising assistant. ...In Boston, **Stephanie Adler** is an analyst for Economics and Technology. She lives in Cambridge as do **Sam Chapin** and **Lisa Suisman**, a staff assistant at the Harvard Development Office. ...**Tom Battelle** is working as a computer auditor for Coopers and Lybrand. ...Congratulations are in order to the '88ers who got married this summer: **Shevaun Mackie** and Tom Doyle '87 were married on July 22; **Sue VanDyke** and Frank Ostrow '87 were married in August; Joe and **Chris Lindenberg Bertolaccini** (married on August 5) are working as technologists for SD Warren Paper Company in Maine; **Linda Preston O'Neill** (married on July 29) is a chiropractic assistant at Vitaz Chiropractic Center in Hartford, Conn.; **Bridie Jennings-Dumont** and husband Jean-Marc are back in Paris after their August 18 wedding in Wisconsin. ...**Dana Cormier** is a student at the American Academy of Dramatic Art in NYC. ...**Bill Diebenow** is in the data research department at Coldwell Banker Commercial Real Estate. ...**Sharon Harper** is a staff photographer for the *Addison County Independent*. ...**Chris Hawkins** is at UCONN Law School. ...**Eric Benz** is at Harvard Medical School. ...**Tim Pratt** is a teacher and hockey coach at Hebron Academy in Maine. ...**John Soderberg** is an English teacher at Cape Henry Collegiate School in Virginia Beach, Va. ...**Vic Sulzer** is a research associate at RS Carmichael & Co., a management consulting firm. ...**Paul Sutton** is teaching French at Portsmouth Abbey School in R.I. ...**Suzie Tayer** spent the

winter traveling around Australia. ...**Chip Wadsworth** is now in New York as a financial analyst for Donaldson, Lufkin, and Jenrette; and **Alex Kasdan** holds a similar position at Merrill Lynch. ...**Nick Iselin** is at DDB Needham Worldwide in NYC. ...**Liana Discepolo** is working as an assistant area manager/Italy and Greece for EF Educational Foundation, a company that runs educational tours for high school groups. ...**Pam Lawson** managed a restaurant in Lake Forest, Ill., before returning to the East Coast to prepare for the multiple Lawson family weddings this spring and summer. ...**Bonnie Lipton** is working for Social Services in Santa Fe, N.M. ...**Gordon Tichell** is president of Gordon Tichell Leisure in L.A. ...**Sybil McCarthy** is living on the beach in Malibu and working for Hill, Holiday in their broadcast/creative broadcast department. She writes "I miss Vermont foliage and pumpkins, but the California surf and sun is pretty gnarly!" ...**Amy Sheldon** has been busy since graduation. She has worked in the White Mountains, ski-bummed in Crested Butte, Colo., and is now working for the Middlebury Land Trust (no affiliation with the college) in Burlington while starting a business on Church Street. ...**Miles Lilly** is working in Breckenridge. ...**John Chaplin** is working for Booz, Allen & Hamilton in their human resource management practice group as a Russian linguist specialist. ...**David VanLuven**, who is still on the Cape working for the Association for the Preservation of Cape Cod, will soon be publishing the biological mapping areas project (which he worked on last year) through a grant from the RK Mellon Family Foundation. He is now focused on legislative efforts and spends a lot of time organizing effective methods of lobbying Beacon Hill through rallies and organizing constituents. ...**Andrew Ziarnik** and **Mark Held** are living in Boulder, Colo. ...**Sarah Korjeff** is working for a non-profit group called America the Beautiful which concentrates on preserving natural and manmade resources. She is developing a program in heritage/historic preservation. ...**Diana Stuart** and **Chris Sinton** spent last fall in Salamanca, where Diane was teaching English and Chris took courses at the university. They are now traveling around Europe. ...**Marni Stewart** is working for the National Institute of Health, doing neurological research. ...**Chris Dollase** is working for the Oversight and Investigation Committee on Maritime Affairs on Capitol Hill. ...**Isabelle Bleecker** is traveling in France. ...We would like to thank everyone for keeping in touch with us. We can only write what y'all tell us. After two years, how many times have you moved, changed jobs or written your class secretaries? Keep in touch!

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Class Secretaries: *Kristen Canfield, 351 Fairview Ave., Fairfield, CT 06430, and Timothy O'Shea, 73 Second St., Garden City, NY 11530.*

Many '89ers gathered in Boston to celebrate the third annual class Christmas Party. A special thanks to **Jen Latchford, Suzy Black, Karen Cargill** and **Stacy Whitman** for their organizational efforts. ...**Karen Lane** has taken to the road as a sales representative for First Phone in Boston. ...**Kirsten Ritzau** works at McLean Hospital's therapy center. ...**Jeff Somers** is also a ski coach; he's training Olympic hopefuls at the Eaglebrook School. ...Many other members of our class have made skiing a priority in their choice of residence. **Beth McElroy** headed out to Steamboat in December. She'll no doubt see **Ann Battelle** on the bumps. ...**Laura Andrews** returned from Europe to work at Alta Lodge. ...**Richard Morse** completed a NOLS course in Wyoming. He now teaches East Asian thought and coaches skiing at Williston North Hampton. ... **Sue Howland** teaches math at Kingswood-Oxford School. ...**Thad Briner** is a ski instructor in Vail. ...Also in Colorado are **Bob More, Jason Reeder, Charlie Butts, John Taylor** and **Ashley Snyder.** ...**Janelle Moburg** is retailing American Indian art at a boutique in Vail. ...**Jay Leonard** is a bartender in Austria. ...**Ivar Henningson** and **Mike Subak** recently returned from travels in Europe. They are among the '89ers who took the advice of "Go and see." ...Globetrotter **Charlotte Rosen** planned to begin her lengthy trip last December. ...**Ann-Marie Storey** is with the Peace Corp in Thailand. ...**Gabriela Artavia** works with the Peace Corps in Guatemala. ... **Dierdre Singleton** is living in Bolivia. ...**Janet Alexander** lives in Taiwan. ...**David Blaisdell** is a student in China. ...**Elizabeth Wilcox** is doing editorial work for *The Atlantic Magazine* in London. ...**Willy Beebe** spent the summer flying, and on one occasion had to crash-land his plane. He's fine and now traveling in Europe. ...**Mumeka Mwanamwambwa** is a research associate at Touche Ross in Chicago. ...**Cheryl Dufault** is an underwriter at Travellers Insurance in Connecticut. ...Class members who are in law school include **Ann Calfas, Margaret Lynch, Sue Johnson, Michael Cohen, Corinne Fortune, Steve Becker** and **Cynthia Wasser**. ...**Kris Eardensohn** is working at a physical therapy clinic in Bethlehem, Pa., as well as taking courses toward a master's in physical therapy. ...**Cathy Butts** and **Laura Zink** live in Pittsfield, Mass., where Cathy is a teacher at Miss Hall's School and Laura works for GE Plastics. ...In D.C., **Ben Press** is involved with fund raising for the Republican National Committee. ...**Susan Hamill** assists Congresswoman Lynn Martin. ...**Sue Eckert** is also in D.C., working at the Asia Society. ...Med students include **Melanie Friedlander**, who has managed to found a women's rugby team at the New Jersey Medical School. **Tom Gleason, Daniel Breitkopf and Gary Nicholson** have also entered med school. ... **Parker Ward** does research on Alzheimer's disease at Mass General. ...**Craig Anderson** and **Rob Snow** live in Boston. Craig is employed by Robert Weaver and Associates, and Rob is a banker by week and a ski coach on weekends. ...**Amy Young** is working at Christie's art auction house in Boston. ... **Camilla Herrera** works at CBS News in New York. ...The holiday party in NYC was a great opportunity to hear of '89ers in the Big Apple. **Katie Bodkin** works at a lab and is waiting to hear from veterinary schools. ...**Alex Sargent** recently designed costumes for a feature film by Troma. ...**Gabriella Stollenwerck** manages publicity at Orion Classics. ...**Mark Mariani** is a student at the Parsons School of Design. ...**Johann Nottebohm** adds a different twist to commuting: He lives in Manhattan and drives to work at a French trading company in New Jersey. ...The Class of '89 made a great showing at our first Homecoming and alumni holiday gatherings. Thanks to those who have kept in touch. It would be great to hear from all of you. Please drop Tim or Kris a line sometime.

OBITUARIES

1909

ALICE SEARS WHITE, of Falmouth, Maine, on October 26, 1989. She had recently reached her 103rd birthday. Mrs. White was Middlebury's second oldest alumna, and was the last surviving member of the Class of 1909. A graduate of Bennington, Vt., High School, she joined Pi Beta Phi sorority at Middlebury. Married in the summer following her graduation to Henry S. White '09, they raised five daughters, Esther, Margaret, Elizabeth, Eleanor and Edith. After her husband's death in 1940, Mrs. White taught at the Longview School in Durham, Conn. She later was a practical nurse in the Boston area and resided in Newton, Mass. For the last 30 years she lived in the Portland, Maine, area. She was a member of the Christian Science Church of Portland and the Mother Church in Boston. She is survived by two of her daughters, Eleanor Neal of Gray, Maine, and Edith Mason of Yarmouth, Maine; 12 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

1912

MARGUERITE A. ELLISON, 100, of Melrose, Mass., on December 25, 1989. Born in Stevens Point, Wis., she came to Middlebury from Central Falls, R.I., High School. At Middlebury she played violin in the Musegahe Club, and sang in the Women's Glee Club and the Women's Musical Association. After college she pursued a career as a teacher, and spent more than 30 years as an English teacher and coach at Somerville, Mass., High School. She was the sister of the late Arthur Ellison '15. Survivors include a niece, Patricia Wilson of Williamstown, Mass.; two great-nieces, Dana O'Shea of Waltham, Mass., and Amy Coldiron of Williamstown; and five great-grandnieces and nephews.

1919

LELAND E. FANNING, of Laurel, N.Y., in 1983. A native of Laurel, he prepared for college at Meriden, Conn., High School. His college years were interrupted by military service during World War I. He returned to Middlebury to complete his bachelor's degree in 1919. A journalist, Mr. Fanning served for many years as the New York bureau chief of the Boston *Herald-Traveler*. He also wrote for several other New England newspapers, including the Springfield, Mass., *Republican* and the New Haven, Conn., *Journal Courier*. He retired in the 1960s to his family's Long Island homestead, where his forebears settled in 1826. He is survived by a sister, Alma Fanning, with whom who lived in retirement.

1920

RITA L. BOLE, 93, of Rutland, Vt., on October 5, 1989. Born in Bangor, Maine, she graduated from St. Johnsbury, Vt., Academy and Lyndon,

Vt., Normal School's Teacher Training Class before matriculating at Middlebury. She taught in rural schools around Vermont's Northeast Kingdom for seven years after graduating from the College with a degree in English. In 1927 she was named head of the Lyndon Normal School, which evolved into Lyndon State College, and held that post until her retirement in 1955. She presided over the institution's expansion from a teacher training school to a four-year college, and was an instrumental force in the purchase and renovation of the present site of the Lyndon State campus. In 1978, Lyndon State's student center was named in her honor, and, in recognition of her service and dedication, the Vermont State College's board of trustees named her President Emerita in 1986. Miss Bole was the holder of a master's of education from Teacher's College of Columbia University.

1920

RAYMOND K. FARNHAM, 92, of Scarsdale, N.Y., on November 11, 1989. Born in Shoreham, Vt., and a graduate of Middlebury High School, he transferred to the College after one year at Colgate University. He was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. After earning his medical degree at the University of Vermont (1926), he practiced medicine in Pinehurst, N.C., and joined Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., in New York City, where he worked as medical director for 31 years. A U.S. Army veteran, he served during both World Wars, working under the U.S. Surgeon General at the Pentagon during World War II. He received the Legion of Merit Award and in 1946 retired as a full colonel. Dr. Farnham was an active member of the Scarsdale Congregational Church for over 40 years and was a member of the Grand Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons of Vermont. He also belonged to the Scarsdale Country Club. He married Virginia B. Wolcott in 1932. She died in March 1989. Survivors include a son, Frank C. of Philadelphia, Pa.; a daughter, Virginia B. of San Diego; two sisters, Pearl Brown of Florence, Mass., and Doris Pearson of Winter Park, Fla.; a brother, Russell Farnham of Northampton, Mass.; and two grandchildren. Two of his brothers were alumni: William '23 who died in 1926 and Donald '30 who died in 1976.

1920

LEON F. JACKSON, 94, of Sarasota, Fla., on November 10, 1989, while visiting his daughter in York, Maine. Born in Old Towne, Maine, he was raised in Bath, Maine, and Waltham, Mass., and prepared for college at the Huntington School in Boston. At Middlebury he joined Delta Upsilon fraternity. After a year in college he enlisted in the U.S. Naval Reserve and was a chief petty officer in the service during World War I. At the completion of his enlistment in 1919, he joined the Linde Division of Union Carbide in Boston, where he worked as office manager until his 1957 retirement. He and his wife then moved to Sarasota. They had maintained a summer home in York Beach, Maine, since 1943. Mr. Jackson was a member of the First Congregational Church in Sarasota, was a former chairman of the Boston section of the American Welding Society and a past president of the Engineering Societies of New England. He was married for 70 years to the former Helen Estelle Lang, who died in 1988. Survivors include a son, Philip Lang Jackson of Clinton, Conn.; a daughter, Pauline May Emery of York, Maine; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

1920

RUTH BALDWIN STEVENS, 91, of Falls Church, Va., on July 31, 1989, of congestive heart failure. Born in Milford, Conn., and a graduate of its high school, she spent two years at Middlebury and was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority. Married in 1923 to Roy R. Stevens, they raised two children, Janeth S. Rouzer and Robert B. Stevens, both of whom survive. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens moved to the Washington, D.C., area in 1955. Mr. Stevens died in 1976. Mrs. Stevens was a member of the Vienna, Va., Presbyterian Church. In addition to her daughter, of Vienna, and her son, of Westport, Conn., she is survived by seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

1922

MORTON S. BUTLER, 88, of Jacksonville, Fla., on October 8, 1989. A graduate of Hillhouse High School in New Haven, Conn., Mr. Butler was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. After spending one year at Middlebury, he continued his education at Butler Business College in Bridgeport, Conn., where his father was president. He later became an instructor and assistant administrator at the school, and succeeded his father as president in 1948, serving until his retirement in July 1989. He was loved and respected by staff and students at the school. A member of the United Congregational Church in Bridgeport, he was active for many years in the local Lions Club. He lived in Florida for three years prior to his death. His wife, Mildred F. Butler, predeceased him. Survivors include his son, Robert M. Butler; his daughter, Judith L. Weppel; and four grandchildren.

1922

MARGARET DICKINSON GRAY, 89, of Pensacola, Fla., on November 22, 1988. Born in Amherst, Mass., and a graduate of its high school, she majored in Greek at Middlebury and was a class officer. She was active in student publications, serving as assistant to the editor of the *Kaleidoscope* and as a member of the *Campus* board. She was also a member of the YWCA cabinet for four years, chaired the Red Cross drive during her senior year, and was elected to Banshees. Married in 1923 to Latham B. Gray, they raised three children, Charletta, Latham Jr., and Barbara, all of whom survive. Mrs. Gray was a charter member of the Augusta, N.Y., Chapter 850, Order of the Eastern Star. She was also a member of the Pensacola chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and St. Christopher's Episcopal Church of Pensacola. Mr. and Mrs. Gray moved to Pensacola in 1960, where Mr. Gray died in 1979. In addition to her children, Mrs. Gray is survived by a brother, E. Porter Dickinson of Amherst, Mass.; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

1922

HUGO JOHN RATTI, 86, of Manhasset, N.Y., on January 26, 1986. Born in Proctor, Vt., Mr. Ratti graduated from the high school there. He followed his brothers, Gino '07, Amerigo '11, and Aldo '15 to Middlebury, where he majored in chemistry and joined Kappa Delta Rho fraternity. He also played football and was a member of the Interfraternity Council. His college major led to a career as a research chemist. For many years he was an executive at NL Industries, retiring in 1964 as head of the company's new products development division and associate director of research laboratories. He is survived by his son, Hugo John Ratti, Jr. '55 of Brooklyn, N.Y. Other alumni survivors include his nephews, Field H. Winslow '38, Eugene C. Winslow '40, Richard Hill '49 and Donald D. Hill, Jr. '50; and a great-niece, Jill Winslow '77.

1924

JOHN G. HARDY, 88, of West Springfield, Mass., on November 28, 1989. Born in Lima, Ohio, he prepared for college at Springfield, Mass., Classical High School. At Middlebury he was a member of Chi Psi fraternity and played varsity basketball. He was also a member of Delta Tau and Sages. After spending three years at Middlebury, he earned his bachelor's degree at New York University. Mr. Hardy was in the insurance field throughout his working life. His career began with 18 years as an agent for Connecticut General Life Insurance. He was then associated with Union Central Life Insurance Co., first as an agent and then as a self-employed broker, for nearly 30 years. A 45-year resident of West Springfield and a member and former deacon of its First Congregational Church, he was a past president of the Springfield Lions Club and chairman of its orthoptic clinic. He also volunteered for 35 years as a driver for the blind. In the late 1940s he served as president of the Springfield district of Middlebury's alumni association. He is survived by his wife, the former Natalie Hutchins; a son, Peter Hardy of Simi Valley, Calif.; three daughters, Mary H. Randall of West Norwalk, Conn., Anne H. Withee of Agawam, Mass., and Natalie H. Ford of Woodbridge, Conn.; three sisters, Helen Metcalf of West Hartford, Conn., Maxine Gould of East Longmeadow, Mass., and Shirley Dexter of Lunenburg, Mass.; and ten grandchildren.

1924

WARREN L. WHITTEN, 86, of Indiana, Pa., on June 18, 1989. Born in Malone, N.Y., he prepared for college at Franklin Academy. In college he joined Sigma Phi Iota fraternity and was a member of the varsity track team, at one time holding the Middlebury pole vaulting record. After spending three years at Middlebury, he completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Vermont's College of Medicine, where he earned his medical degree cum laude in 1927. He went on to practice family medicine in the town of Indiana for 57 years, retiring in 1984. During World War II he served as a major in the U.S. Army, serving as assistant chief of orthopedics and chief of surgery at Army hospitals in the U.S. He is survived by his wife, Winifred; two sons, Warren L. Jr., of Dallas, Texas, and David G. of San Francisco, Calif.; a daughter, Sandra, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; and a granddaughter.

1925

ERNEST M. ADAMS, 87, of Wellesley, Mass., on October 10, 1989. Born in Norwalk, Conn., Ernie prepared for college at Bridgeport, Conn., High School. At Middlebury he majored in political science and was a member of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity. An excellent tennis player, he was a member of the varsity tennis team. An avid banjo player, Ernie was an important member of the College Jazz Orchestra, the College Band, and the Dramatic Club. After graduating from Middlebury he attended Bentley College and the Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School. Ernie's first job was with the Vermont Marble Co. of Proctor, Vt. In 1930 he was hired by Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates in Boston and continued with them until his 1964 retirement as controller of the company. A 50-year resident of Wellesley and a Town Meeting member there for many years, he was also active in accounting and tennis circles. He was a former secretary of the Class of 1925. He was a member of the Harvard Club of Boston, the Harvard Musical Association and the Harvard Faculty Club. He is survived by his wife, the former Evelyn Plumley '25, whom he married in 1932, and by his daughter, Emily Adams '60 of North Hero, Vt.
—Donald Banks '25

1925

THOMAS YAHKUB, 92, of Plainfield, Vt., on September 27, 1989. Born in Calicut, South India, he attended Malabar Christian College there, and Amherst College for one year before enrolling at Middlebury, to which he was directed by his teacher in literature at Amherst, Robert Frost. Earning his

bachelor's degree cum laude, he remained at Middlebury for another year to earn his master's degree in English. He went on to Harvard Divinity School where he earned a bachelor's degree in theology in 1929. He then spent several years on a Rockefeller Foundation grant, working at an experimental penal colony in Norfolk, Mass. During his time there, he wrote a historical analysis of the experiment, which was the basis for a textbook in penology that was in use for about 20 years. After a year in India as a student of poet Rabindranath Tagore, he returned to the U.S. and opened a restaurant, India House, in Boston. In 1946, he was invited by Goddard College president Tim Pitkin to initiate an Asian studies program at the fledgling Vermont school. He was a member of the faculty there until 1973, and was the first person in the college's history to be named a professor emeritus. He was hailed by Pitkin as "not only an excellent teacher of undergraduates, he was a superb teacher of the faculty.... Because of his presence, Goddard was one of the first American colleges to give serious attention to the study of non-Western cultures. He brought to the college the wisdom and the spirit of tolerance and patience of India, and thus encouraged us to look at ourselves in the perspective of the long history of civilization." Married in 1934 to the former Una Ritchie, who predeceased him in February 1989, he is survived by a daughter, Marie Yahkub of Plainfield; two brothers and one sister, all of India; two grandchildren, Michael and Mariama Blumenson of Queens, N.Y.; and several nieces and nephews.

1927

FRANCES BRISTOL ALDRICH, 86, of Middlebury, Vt., on September 21, 1989. A lifelong resident of Middlebury and a graduate of Middlebury High School, she majored in English at the College. She was married in 1937 to Albert Aldrich, the long-time equipment manager for the College's athletic department. Mrs. Aldrich was a member of the Middlebury Congregational Church. Her husband died in 1969. She is survived by three sisters-in-law, Elizabeth Bristol of Middlebury, Marion Munson and Laura Michaud, both of East Middlebury; and by several nieces and nephews.

1928

HAROLD LUKE COLLINS, 82, of Greenfield, Wis., on July 5, 1989. Mr. Collins was born in Milwaukee, Wis., where he prepared for college at Washington High School. At Middlebury he joined Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity. Luke, one of 1928's renowned athletes, played both varsity baseball and basketball, earning his "M" in his junior year. He was also 1928's perennial Class Golf Champion. Upon graduation he joined the Wisconsin Electric Power Co. as an accountant, and remained with the company, retiring as treasurer. The Class of '28 extends its deepest sympathy to his wife, Dorothy; three sons, Michael, Neil, and Peter; and eight grandchildren.
—Miriam Sweet Coombs '28

1928

FLORENCE PHILIPSEN COOMBS, 82, of Delmar, N.Y., on October 23, 1989. She prepared for college at Brandon, Vt., High School. At Middlebury she majored in French and Latin, and graduated cum laude. She joined Sigma Kappa sorority and was active in the Dramatic and French clubs. In Delmar, she was a charter member and officer in the local chapter of the P.E.O. sorority, and for many years she was a volunteer in the Red Cross Northeastern New York Blood Distribution Center. She is survived by her husband, Colonel Frederick L. Coombs, son Donald H., a brother, William H. Philipsen, DVM, three granddaughters and one great-grandson.

1928

FORREST E. PRATT, 80, of Horseheads, N.Y., on June 2, 1989. Born in Warrensburg, N.Y., he prepared for college at Lake George, N.Y., High School. At Middlebury he majored in mathematics and joined Delta Sigma fraternity. He played freshman football, fraternity basketball and baseball, and was an active member of the Dramatic Club. Upon graduation, he became principal of Whitesville, N.Y., High School. He received a master's degree in education at Cornell University and served as principal of Fair Haven, N.Y., High School, before becoming affiliated with Bendix Aviation Corp., where he worked in production control and planning until his 1971 retirement. His retirement years provided the opportunity to pursue the outdoor sports he loved. The Class of 1928 extends its deepest sympathy to his wife, the former Adaline Roberts; a daughter, Mrs. Robert (Cynthia) Stansfield; a sister, Florinne Pratt Stuart '22; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.
—Miriam Sweet Coombs '28

1929

CAROLYN CHAFFIN ROSE, 83, of Phillipston, Mass., on December 10, 1989. Born in Belfast, Maine, she graduated from North High School in Worcester, Mass. At Middlebury, Carolyn, known to her classmates as "Chaffin," joined Phi Mu sorority, and was a four-year member of the Dramatic Club. She also served on the business staff of the *Campus*, and was the paper's advertising manager during her senior year. Married shortly after her graduation to A. Spaulding Rose, they owned and operated the Red Apple Farm in Phillipston for 52 years, until Mr. Rose's death in 1981. Carolyn took over the operation of the apple growing business after her husband's passing. In her quiet, unassuming manner, she shared generously her many talents with various organizations. She was a member of the Congregational Church of Phillipston, where she served as organist for many years and sang in the choir. She was also active in the Ladies Benevolent Society, and was famous for the apple pies she contributed to the church's annual bazaar. She was also a member of the executive committee and the homeless shelter committee of the church. Carolyn was also a member of the Worcester County Extension Service, the Massachusetts Fruit Growers Association, and the Massachusetts Audubon Society. In her hometown, she had served as a member of the school committee and was a lifelong, active member of the Girl Scouts of America and its board of directors, a Welcome Wagon Representative, and a ten-year member of the Phillipston Conservation Committee. Carolyn was also active in Athol, where she was a member and past president of the Athol Woman's Club, vice president of the Athol Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, and a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Margery Morton Chapter. Carolyn returned to Middlebury last June to join her classmates in celebrating the Class of 1929's 60th Reunion. She had a close relationship with many of her classmates—"all the good friends I made during my best four years," as she put it. She is survived by a son, William E. Rose of Phillipston; a daughter, Virginia A. Rose of Seattle, Wash.; a brother, Grant L. Chaffin of Ascutney, Vt., and North Redington Beach, Fla.; a sister, Ruth E. Johnson of Greenland, N.H.; and three grandchildren. Alumni survivors include her nephews, Peter Kalat '62 and Norman W. Kalat, Jr. '64; and a great-niece, Lindsey Kalat '85.
—Margaret Raymond Shuttleworth '29

1929

ALLA FITZGERALD SMITH, 82, of Burlington, Vt., on November 26, 1989, after a long illness. She was elected to the Mortar Board Society and Phi Mu sorority at Middlebury. Alla taught English and French briefly at Jericho, Vt., High School directly after graduation. Married in 1930 to fellow Brattleboro (Vt.) High School graduate Holland Smith (Colgate '28), they lived in Essex Junction and Burlington. Alla returned to teaching in the 1940s at Edmonds Junior High School in Burlington, and from 1960 to her 1971 retirement she was on the staff of the Bailey-Howe Library at the University of Vermont. She was active in Girl Scout work in the 1930s, was a member of the First Baptist Church of Burlington and was active in its women's groups, and was for many years a member of the board of the Children's Home and of the Converse Home in Burlington. She was a regular participant in Middlebury alumni activities in Burlington, and enjoyed her 60th Reunion at Middlebury last June. In addition to her husband, Alla is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Nancy E. Tracy, now with the Peace Corps in the Cameroon, Mrs. Luther F. (Sally) Hackett '56 of South Burlington, Vt., and Mrs. George (Deborah) Bedrin of Grand Isle, Vt.; a son, L. David Smith of Huntington, Vt.; two sisters, Mrs. Sharon (Grace) Holden of Westminster, Vt., and Mrs. Robert (Kathryn) Gibson of Montpelier, Vt.; a brother, James C. Fitzgerald of Westminster, Vt.; 11 grandchildren, including Elizabeth Hackett Robinson '84; and three great-grandchildren.

1929

FRANCES SPEAR, 81, at the John Muir Hospital in Walnut Creek, Calif., on September 10, 1989. A native of Barre, Vt., and a 1925 graduate of Spaulding High School, she earned her A.B. degree from Middlebury in 1929. She continued with graduate study in biology, earning her M.S. degree from the College in 1930. Frances was a favorite of the science faculty at Middlebury in the 1920s, and also as a student of Professor Harrington in philosophy. Her professional career included work in a variety of medical technologies: X-ray, serology, and bacteriology, officer in charge of biologics at the Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md. (1943-46), and biologist in the Division of Pathology at the National Institutes of Health, also in Bethesda. Along the way, in what was one of the "firsts" for women in the medical professions, she rose to the rank of lieutenant commander as a career officer in the U.S. Navy. She was the first Barre woman to join the WAVES and to receive the rank of lieutenant commander. Survivors include her sister, Rachel Spear '27 of San Diego, Calif., and a niece, Sally Stamm of Douglaston, N.Y. Her ashes were buried at sea with customary Navy ceremony.
—Dr. Raymond J. Saulnier '29

1929

W. MAXWELL WHEILDON, JR., 81, of Framingham, Mass., on December 9, 1989. Born in nearby Ashland, Mass., he graduated from Framingham High School and spent one year with our class, following which he went to MIT under the joint program that led to a B.S. degree from Middlebury and an M.S. from MIT. He had a distinguished career as a research scientist for nearly 40 years with the Norton Company in Worcester, Mass., specializing in the development of the protective ceramic coatings that, among more mundane uses, enable space vehicles to withstand the heat and pressure of outer space. For this and other notable achievements, including earning 15 U.S. patents in ceramic engineering and writing many technical papers, he is registered in *American Men of Science* and in the *Dictionary of Int. Sci. Biography*. Recreationally, Max's interests were in sailing (he navigated a

museum schooner, the *Sherman Zwicker*, from Boothbay, Maine, to Lunenburg, Nova Scotia), stamp collecting, skiing (teaching at the American Ski School) and in the design and building of firearms. In all this he was an outstanding performer, earning many honors and awards. Max's wife of 36 years, the former Edla C. Johanson, died in 1987. He is survived by a daughter, Andrea Smith of Union, Maine; two sons, William M. III and Stephan B., both of Framingham; and a sister, Dorothy W. Hall of St. Augustine, Fla.
—Dr. Raymond J. Saulnier '29

1930

ALEXIS V. BOISSEAU, 83, of Elizabethtown, N.Y., on January 15, 1990. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he prepared for college at Erasmus Hall, and transferred to Middlebury from Washington and Lee University. He was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, played on the varsity basketball team and was active in intramural sports. After earning a master's degree in Spanish from Middlebury in 1932, he became a Spanish teacher and athletic coach at New York Military Academy. In 1947 he founded the Stable Inn, a summer resort in Westport, N.Y., which he operated until 1980. He was also the proprietor of Monona Kennels, breeders and exhibitors of wire fox and welsh terriers. He was a member of the Wire Fox Terrier Club of the Central States and the Welsh Terriers Club of America. Mr. Boisseau was married in 1943 to the former Garnett Blackmore. After her death in 1960, he married Marion Weir Quinlan of Montreal, who also predeceased him. Survivors include his step-children, Peter Quinlan of Montreal, John Quinlan of Ottawa, William Quinlan of Toronto, Mary Quinlan of Montreal, Catherine Quinlan of Brookline, Mass., Harold Quinlan of Fredericton, N.B., and Joseph Quinlan of Waterville, Maine; six step-grandchildren; and two nieces. Alumni survivors include a brother-in-law, Dr. William Blackmore '40, and his wife, Jane Appleton Blackmore '40.

1930

THELMA E. LOUNSBURY, 80, of Seymour, Conn., on November 13, 1989, after a long illness. A lifetime resident of Seymour, she graduated from Seymour High School in 1926. At Middlebury she was active in the Dramatic Club, and was a member of Pyramid Club. From 1931 to 1974 she taught English at her high school alma mater. She also worked part time as a bookkeeper for the L.H. Racke Pontiac dealership of Naugatuck, Conn., for 57 years, retiring in 1987. During World War II Thelma was a volunteer driver for the American Red Cross and was a member of the Air Observer Corps. She was a member of the Seymour United Methodist Church, the Griffin Hospital Auxiliary, the Women's College Club of the Valley, the Seymour Women's Club, the Seymour Historical Society and the Friends of the New Haven Library. She leaves a nephew, Charles Lounsbury III of Southington, Conn., and his children, Heidi, Gretchen and Jonathan; and two nieces, Katherine Phenix of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Linda A. Lounsbury of North Branford, Conn.
—Helen Kendall Dudey '30

1931

MADELEINE COTE MACINTYRE, 80, of Wareham, Mass., on September 28, 1989. Born in Brockton, Mass., and a graduate of its high school, she was active in YWCA, Dramatic Club, and Pyramid Club at Middlebury. Listed in *Who's Who of American Women*, she was a professional concert singer for many years and taught both voice and organ. She administered four branches of the Cape Cod Conservatory of Music and Arts. She also taught French, English and Latin at high schools in Wareham and New Bedford before retiring in 1967. She was a member of the Emmanuel Church of the Nazarene in East Wareham. Survivors include three sons, David W., Norman L. and John S. MacIntyre.

1931

KENNETH C. PARKER, SR., 81, of West Chatham, Mass., on October 28, 1989. Born in Dorchester, Mass., he attended Eaglebrook School and prepared for college at Deerfield Academy. At Middlebury, he majored in mathematics and was a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity. Active in student publications, he was an assistant editor of the *Campus*, and was the business manager of the 1931 *Kaleidoscope*. He also served as vice president of Wig and Pen, editor of the Press Club, and president of Pi Delta Epsilon, the honorary journalism fraternity. Following his graduation from Middlebury, he won a Dutton Fellowship to study in France, where he earned diplomas from the Sorbonne and the Institute de Phonetique. In 1937 he earned a master's degree in French at Columbia University. Mr. Parker taught French for ten years at Friends Academy, Locust Valley, N.Y. From 1942 to 1955 he was director of public relations, alumni secretary and director of alumni and parent funds at the Taft School, Watertown, Conn. This led to a position of director of public relations at Trinity College in Hartford, Conn., where he also became editor of the alumni magazine and director of publications. During his 12-year tenure at Trinity, he oversaw the establishment of the Trinity College Press. After two years at Assumption College in Worcester, Mass., as public relations director, he was director of development for the Appalachian Mountain Club in Boston before retiring in 1973. A resident of the Chatham area since 1977, he served there as a member of the board of directors and treasurer of the Friends of the Council on Aging. He was also active in the local First Congregational Church, having served as a member of its financial planning committee. The special gifts chairman for his 50th Reunion, he served as co-secretary of the Class of 1931 from 1981 until his death. He was married in 1934 to Linnea Wall '31, who survives him, as do two sons, Kenneth C., Jr., of Mt. Dora, Fla., and Albert of Salisbury, N.C.; and four grandchildren.

1932

WILLIAM E. DAVIS, 81, of Portland, Maine, on November 9, 1989. A native of Kingston, N.Y., and a graduate of its high school, he majored in chemistry at Middlebury, and was a member of Chi Psi fraternity. A four-year member of the German Club, he played on the varsity football team and was a member of the "M" Club and Delta Tau, the forerunner of Blue Key. After college he pursued graduate studies in bacteriology at Cornell University, and in social work at Fordham University. His work in this latter field included time as a social worker in Westchester County, N.Y., and as field director of the American Red Cross in the South Pacific during World War II. After the war he spent ten years as an insurance agent with Prudential Insurance Co. of America. Mr. Davis then returned to the field of chemistry as a high school teacher, retiring after a 20-year career. For many years he taught at Onteora, N.Y., High School. During his tenure there he served as a member of the Kingston, N.Y., planning board. Predeceased in 1980 by a daughter, Mary Davis Bilbro, he is survived by his wife of 53 years, Mildred Healy Davis; two sons, William H. Davis of Westbrook, Maine, and Frederick E. Davis of Lake Worth, Fla.; and five grandchildren.

1932

WILLIAM E. HORR, 77, of Venice, Fla., on May 8, 1989. Born in Barneveld, N.Y., he came to Middlebury from Utica Country Day School. In college, he majored in history and economics, and was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. The vice president of the Undergraduate Association during his senior year, he served as manager of the football team, and was a member of the *Campus* newspaper's business staff and the 1932 *Kaleidoscope*'s board. The chairman of the Junior Prom Committee, he was elected to Blue Key and Delta Tau. After graduation, he returned to his hometown where he spent three years at the First National Bank of Trenton. He then spent 12 years at the Bank of New York, chiefly as a security analyst, before becoming co-owner, with Charlie Bailey '32, of the Spray Drying Service of Garwood, N.J. He retired in 1968 as vice president of the firm. He was a dedicated volunteer for Middlebury, serving at various times as a fund-raiser, class secretary, district president for alumni in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, and class representative to the Alumni Council. He was the chairman of his class's 50th Reunion in 1982. A resident of Westfield, N.J., for 19 years, he was active in the affairs of the local Presbyterian church and the Rotary. After retiring, he divided his time between his homes in South Hero, Vt., and Florida. In 1983 he became a permanent resident of Venice, Fla., where he was a member of the United Church of Christ. He was married in 1938 to the former Doris Phelps, who died in 1981. He is survived by his second wife, Ruth Crossan Dahl, to whom he was married in 1982. Other survivors are his daughters, Lois Phelps Burcham '64 of Alexandria, Va., and Susan Copeland of Santa Clara, Calif.; a stepdaughter, Janice Brigham of Charlotte, N.C.; a stepson, Dr. James Dahl of Reading, Pa.; and one grandchild.

1933

DOROTHY WHEATON FALLON, 76, of Salt Lake City, Utah, on June 8, 1989. She was born in Manchester, Mass., where she prepared for college at Story High School. At Middlebury she was active in athletics, including hockey, volleyball and basketball, and was a member of the Women's Athletic Association, the Dramatics, Mountain, and Spanish clubs, and the Pan-Hellenic Council. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority, was elected to Mortar Board and was graduated Phi Beta Kappa. Dorothy married John C. Fallon '35 on September 8, 1934. They lived for several years in the Boston area before moving to Salt Lake City in 1956. Dorothy worked a few years for the Utah Department of Employment Security. Her husband died in February 1989. The Class of '33 extends sincere sympathy to their two children, Roger of Salt Lake City and Mary of Pacific Beach, Calif., and two grandchildren.
—Philip L. and Helen Easton Carpenter, both '33

1933

GRAYDON H. SPRAGG, 78, of Greenfield, Mass., on November 8, 1989. Graydon was born in New Bedford, Mass., and prepared for Middlebury at Drury High School in North Adams, Mass. At Middlebury, he majored in economics and was a member of Beta Kappa. He played trombone in the College Band and participated in intramural sports. After graduation he worked briefly for the *Standard-Times* in New Bedford. He then moved to the Greenfield area, where he worked in the Shelburne Falls office of the Greenfield *Recorder-Gazette* from 1934 to 1938, when he became bureau chief for the Springfield *Morning Union*, covering most of Franklin County, a position he held until he retired in 1971. For almost 30 years he was the "*Morning Union* Correspondent of the Air" on WHAI, in a cooperative venture between the newspaper and the radio station. During World War II he served in the U.S. Navy aboard subchasers as a motor machinist. He was a member of many fraternal and civic

organizations, including the Greenfield Kiwanis Club, the Greenfield Elks Lodge, the John F. Harrington Post 417 of the VFW, the Republican Masonic Lodge, the Greenfield Country Club, and the Valley Press Club. He was active in the Franklin County Agricultural Society and had been a trustee of the Franklin County Public Hospital. His wife, the former Margaret McLeod, died in 1985. He is survived by a son, Douglas Spragg '69 of Somerville, N.J., to whom the Class of 1933 extends its deepest sympathy.
—Dr. Philip L. Carpenter '33

1934
MARY PRISCILLA HALL HOWES, 77, a lifelong resident of Ashfield, Mass., on November 14, 1989. Valedictorian of her class at Sanderson Academy, she majored in English at Middlebury, was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and Mortar Board, and was president of the student government. She was also active in publications, including service on the boards of the *Saxonian* and the *Kaleidoscope*. She was married to her high school sweetheart, Emory G. Howes, in the autumn following her graduation from Middlebury. Mrs. Howes was an independent insurance agent for many years before selling her business in 1965. A columnist for two local newspapers, she was the author of "Country Legacy," and was the chairperson of the committee that wrote the second edition of the History of Ashfield. She was the secretary of the Class of 1934 for ten years, and a member of the 50th Reunion Committee as well as a contributor to 1934's 50th Reunion yearbook. In tributes that appeared in the Ashfield *News* after her death, she was described by friends and neighbors as the town's conscience and as its poet laureate. Mrs. Howes was a member of St. John's Church, the Ashfield Grange No. 69, the Ashfield Historical Society, the Shelburne Falls Woman's Club and the Ashfield Ambulance Association, for which she had also been a dispatcher. She was a trustee of her high school alma mater and a former trustee of the Belding Memorial Library. She was the first woman in Massachusetts on the vestry of the Episcopal Church. For the volunteer work she did for her town, the Ashfield Lions Club presented her its "Outstanding Community Service Award" in 1983. Survivors include her husband; four sons, Frederick A. and Roger E., both of Ashfield, Nelson "Pete" L. of Erving, Mass., and Douglas R. of Lee, Mass.; a stepson, Arnold D. Jones, and a stepdaughter, Margaret N. Phillips, both of Ashfield; a brother, Richard Hall of Ashfield; a sister, Margaret Cole of Brunswick, Maine; four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews, including Addison Hall '69.

1934
ANDREW M. REID, 82, of Lebanon, N.H., on October 14, 1989, after a long illness. Born in Mingo Junction, Ohio, he received his early schooling in Hamilton, Ontario, and came to Middlebury from Classical High School in Springfield, Mass. A political science major and a member of Chi Psi fraternity, he played football throughout his college career, earning numerals as a member of the freshman team and his "M" as a member of the varsity. After graduation he enrolled at Tufts University's School of Dental Medicine, from which he received his D.M.D in 1939. He opened his dental practice in August of that year in Lebanon, N.H., and continued there until his retirement in 1973. During the early years of his practice he conducted school dental clinics in Lebanon and nearby communities. He was a member of many local, state, national and international professional associations, including the first United States Dental Delegation to the Soviet Union. During World War II he was appointed to the Medical Advisory Board for New Hampshire's Selective Service System. He served two terms as a Lebanon city councilor. A 32nd degree Mason of the Franklin Lodge No. 6 and the St. Andrews Chapter No. 1 of Lebanon, he was a member of the Lodge Council Chapter of the Scottish Rites Bodies of Concord, N.H., and the Consistory of Nashua, N.H. Dr. Reid was an avid sportsman and a life member of the Grafton County Fish and Game Association. Married in 1940 to the former Eleanor Orde '34, she survives him, as do a sister, Dorothy Jenkins of Burlington, Ontario, three nieces and a nephew.

1934
DOROTHY WUNNER WOODWARD, 75, of Stoughton, Mass., on January 13, 1990, after a period of failing health. Born in Rutherford, N.J., and a graduate of its high school, she majored in American literature at Middlebury and was a member of the English and German clubs. She also served as secretary of the Class of 1934 during her senior year. After graduating with Phi Beta Kappa honors, she spent a year as a Dutton Fellow at University College in London. She then returned to Middlebury for two years, working as an assistant director at the Playhouse and as a graduate assistant to Professor Reginald "Doc" Cook '24, earning her master's degree from Middlebury in 1937. Married in 1939 to Dr. Appleton C. Woodward '32, they made their home in Stoughton, where she became active in theatre and library volunteer work. A co-founder and managing director of the Stoughton Little Theatre, she was a trustee of the Stoughton Public Library from 1952 until her death. She had been honored by the Massachusetts Library Trustees Association as "Library Trustee of the Year." She was also a member of the library's building committee, the Stoughton Historical Society and the Railroad Restoration Committee, and was active in the Stoughton Bicentennial Committee. She was the author of *Stoughton Houses: The Last Hundred Years*, and editor of *Stoughton Public Library: The Past 100 Years*. She was also a member of the Class of 1934's 50th Reunion Committee. Her husband died in 1975. She is survived by two daughters, Margot W. Fleck '61 of Northfield, Mass., and Susan L. Woodward '65 of Blacksburg, Va.; a son, Richmond W. Woodward '69 of Stoughton; a brother, George Wunner of Yarmouthport, Mass.; and four grandchildren.

1935
ANNAH THOMAS BOYDEN, 76, of Orange City, Fla., on October 23, 1988. Known to her classmates as "Judy," she was born in New Haven, Vt., and prepared for college at Bristol High School. After her freshman year she transferred to the College of William and Mary, from which she graduated in 1935. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. After graduation she taught home economics at several Vermont high schools. She was also a demonstration teacher for the home economics department of the University of Vermont, where she met and married Kenneth E. Boyden. His State Department career in the Far East and Africa enabled Annah to volunteer her services, teaching English to Chinese officers in Taiwan and dietetics and food preparation in the hospitals of several countries. Her friends in the Class of '35 extend their most sincere sympathy to her husband and two children, Thomas Boyden and Martha Boyden Dessi.
—Avis Fischer '35

1936
ROBERT H. BROWN, 75, at his home in St. Albans, Vt., on January 13, 1990, following a long illness. He prepared for college at Bellows Free Academy in St. Albans. After graduation from Middlebury, and military service in the European Theater during World War II, he then graduated from the University of Michigan Law School in 1948. There followed his long years of law practice, as the senior partner of Brown, Cahill, Gawne & Miller in St. Albans, where he was actively involved in business and community affairs, including his longstanding membership at St. Paul's Methodist Church. While at Middlebury he studied political science and economics. A member of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity, he served as class vice president of men during his senior year, and was a member of the "M" Club, having played varsity football. He was also a member of Blue Key and the Liberal Club, served as class secretary and treasurer, and as a member of the Interfraternity Council. These early activities followed by law school enabled his effective involvement in the Franklin County, Vermont, and American Bar Associations. He was also the Franklin County State's Attorney from 1950 to 1953, and served as member of Vermont's House of Representatives from 1982 to 1984. He was past president of the board at the St. Albans Hospital, past president of the St. Albans Kiwanis Club, a member of the Franklin lodge of Masons, a former director of Little League as well as of the Champlain Country Club. His pastor recalled two of Bob's outstanding qualities: his honesty and his kindness. His analytical mind needed to know how things worked, and with that he enjoyed debating with friends and family. He leaves his wife, Marguerite, and three children, Dale, Gale B. Sumner and Melanie B. McGivern. There are six grandchildren. Speaking at his memorial service, one of Bob's daughters praised with a smile his very good judgment, whereby, years ago, he chose Peg to be their mother.
—Angus M. Brooks '36

1939
FOSTER P. WHITWORTH, JR., 72, of Meredith, N.H., on July 23, 1989. Born in Bridgeport, Conn., and raised in Fairfield, Conn., he prepared for college at Roger Ludlow High School. An economics major at Middlebury, he was a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity, was active in the Mountain Club and was art editor of the *Saxonian* his senior year. After graduation he became an engineer in the defense industry, with the Bullard Machine Tool Co. in Bridgeport. He then went to work as an insurance agent with the Equitable Life Assurance Society. He became a manager of the company's Hartford office, and later of its Fairfield County office, specializing in estate planning, business insurance, group and pensions. He became a certified life underwriter in 1965. After vacationing in New Hampshire for many years, he and his wife, the former Laura Smith '40, relocated there in 1970 and established a gift shop and baby boutique, Towle Hill House. Mr. Whitworth taught economics and corporate finance at Belknap College in Center Harbor, N.H., and at Hesser College in Merrimack, N.H. A member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Meredith, he sang in the Meredith Barbershop Chorus. Mr. Whitworth was also an avid woodworker and gardener. In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Foster P. Whitworth III of Concord, N.H., and Arthur S. Whitworth of Martha's Vineyard, Mass.; a daughter, Mrs. Linda W. Marshall '66 of Sandwich, N.H.; a sister, Mrs. Inez Raub of Gordonville, N.H.; six grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

1941
SAMUEL O. PERRY, JR., 68, of Dallas, Texas, on July 9, 1989. Sam was born in New York City and grew up in Connecticut where he prepared for college at Staples High School in Westport. At Middlebury he completed a double major in mathematics and physics, ran cross country, participated

in intramurals, was active in the Mountain Club, and was a member of Sigma Alpha fraternity. Following graduation he joined the Chance Vought division of United Aircraft. From 1943 to 1946 he served as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army Air Force. He married Barbara B. Hartley on September 7, 1943. Upon his discharge from military service in 1946, he rejoined Chance Vought where he became chief of missile design. There he was responsible for the analytical work on Regulus I, the Navy's first operational assault missile, and its successor, Regulus II, for the Navy's submarine fleet. Our lanky friend retired from Chance Vought as a vice president, culminating a lifelong career in missile research, program development and engineering administration. In recent years he was on the full-time service staff at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. We extend our sincere condolences to his family, including his widow, Peggy Davis Perry; his children, Dr. James Perry '60 of Castleton, Vt., Mikal, Kate, Samuel III and Matthew; and his brother, Donald Perry '45 of South Lake, Texas. Our last communication with Sam was in 1986 when our 45th Reunion conflicted with the graduation of his twin sons, Matt and Sam, from college.
—Lester W. Ingalls '41

1942

MIRIAM OSTEYEE WENZEL, 69, of Tacoma, Wash., on November 11, 1989. Born in West Springfield, Mass., and a graduate of its high school, she spent one year at Middlebury. During World War II she served in the U.S. Coast Guard. A resident of Seattle for 35 years, she was a secretary at Washington State University before retiring in 1982. Survivors include a son, Christopher P. of Long Beach, Calif.; a brother, Leon F. of San Luis Obispo, Calif.; two sisters, Eleanor Will and Virginia Elder of West Springfield; and several nieces and nephews.

1947

HUGH J. DELAITI, 68, of Northampton, Mass., on October 26, 1989. Born in Readsboro, Vt., and raised in North Adams, Mass., he graduated from Drury High School, where he was the highest ranking male graduate. After serving as a navigator in the U.S. Army Air Force, he enrolled at the University of Massachusetts for one year, and came to Middlebury in 1945 to complete his degree, which he earned in two years. Continuing his studies at Boston University, he earned an M.F.A. degree in 1948, and won two national painting competitions. He later earned an M.L.S. at Columbia University. While pursuing his studies at Columbia, he served as librarian for Colby Academy in New York. An accomplished artist, he spent most of his life painting, for which he won several national awards. He was self-employed as a commercial illustrator for newspapers in the Boston area. In the 1950s Mr. Delaiti moved to Lenox, Mass., where he was a free-lance photographer and maintained a color photography studio in Pittsfield. He moved to Northampton in 1974. He leaves a sister, Dorothy Silverman of Williamstown, Mass.; a half-brother, Robert A. Mativi of Columbus, Ohio; his former wife, Nancy Bunn Delaiti of Lenox; a nephew; two aunts and an uncle.

1947

LOIS ABIGAIL CREHAN HYDE, 64, of Harwichport, Mass., on November 17, 1989. Born in Orange, N.J., and a graduate of Columbia High School in Maplewood, N.J., she spent one year at Middlebury before transferring to Radcliffe College. She was married in 1947 to Lawrence H. Hyde, who survives her. Mrs. Hyde worked for the Shaker Historical Society and was an archivist on the papers of Congresswoman Frances Bolton of Cleveland, Ohio. She also did volunteer library work in hospitals and in parish schools. She had lived in Europe and South America and traveled extensively in the Middle East and the Far East. In addition to her husband, she is survived by three children, Abigail, Stephen and Lawrence; a brother, Frederic M. Crehan; and a grandchild.

1948

ROBERT C. NESS, 70, of Jackson Springs, N.C., on October 20, 1989. A Naval aviator during World War II, he was a mathematics major at Middlebury, and a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity. After graduating from the College, he was recalled to active duty from 1952 to 1954. Mr. Ness taught mathematics at Longmeadow, Mass., High School for 30 years. From 1960 to 1979 he was chairman of the department. He earned an M.Ed. from Boston University in 1957, and an M.A.T. at Stanford University in 1965. He is survived by his wife, the former Elizabeth Bredenberg '48; two daughters, Nancy Schwarz of Wayne, Pa., and Sally Ness of New York City; and a brother, Howard Ness of Pataskala, Ohio.

1948

HELEN BRAY POWELL, 62, of Middlebury, Vt., on March 27, 1989. Born in Springfield, Mass., she prepared for college at Classical High School. At Middlebury she majored in economics and English, was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority, the Mountain Club and Women's Forum. She worked as a legal secretary for several years in Springfield, and returned to Middlebury to complete her degree in 1975. Helen then became a real estate broker and notary public. She became a permanent resident of Middlebury in 1983. Helen traveled extensively in Europe and the United States. She enjoyed hooking rugs and knitting. The Class of '48 extends its deepest sympathy to her daughter, Susan Kasper of Middlebury, and her son, Mark Powell of Frenchtown, N.J..
—Frances Van Cleve Smith '48

1950

CHARLES H. BOND, 61, of Molokai, Hawaii, on August 30, 1989. Charlie was born in Honolulu, prepared for Middlebury at Punahou School and Culver Academy, and entered as a Term 4 transfer from the University of Hawaii. At Middlebury, he majored in history, was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon, and was active in Players, Sailing and Mountain Club. Upon graduation, Charlie returned to his home state, served briefly in the Army, and for more than ten years worked in management for the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association at mills on Maui and the Big Island. In 1965, he moved to Oahu to enter the real estate business. He was the founding president of Iole Development Corp., a continuing family business on Oahu and Molokai, which includes growing and exporting macadamia nuts. Charlie's life-long passion for history had its roots in 1841, when his missionary great-grandfather, Rev. Elias Bond of Kohala, sailed around the horn from Maine to Hawaii. The family corporation is headquartered on the site of the original missionary homestead. In spite of ill health for the last ten years, Charlie continued frequent travel to buy and sell real estate on the outer islands, and to gather and impart bits of Hawaiian history. He was a member of the Outrigger Canoe Club and past chairman of the club's history committee. He is survived by a son, Boyd Davis Bond; four daughters, Caroline B. Dvojacki, Sally B. Langan, and Suzi and Elizabeth Bond; two brothers, Benjamin H. Bond, Jr. '49 of Hawaii and Renton Bond '51 of Somerset, Pa.; and four grandchildren. Other alumni survivors include two nephews, R. Douglass Bond '77 and Peter Bond '84. The Class of 1950 extends its deepest sympathy to the Bond family. We will miss Charlie at our 40th Reunion in June, where he, and others, will be remembered during a memorial tree-planting ceremony.
—Dexter C. Whittinghill, Jr. '50

1950

JANICE FOOTE GUGLIN, 61, of Rochester, N.Y., on September 25, 1989. A Vermont native, she was born in Proctor, and lived in Orwell and Middlebury. The valedictorian of the Class of 1946 at Middlebury High School, she was also the winner of the school's Emma Willard Award. She attended Wellesley College for one year before matriculating at Middlebury, where she was an English major and a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority. She was married in 1948 to Theodore E. Guglin '46, who survives her, as do their five children: Pamela Foote Thomas, Theodore E. Guglin, Jr., Tamara Foote Casey, Charles Arnold Guglin, and Lance Vincent Guglin '82. For many years Mrs. Guglin was an elementary school teacher in the Gates-Chili School District of Rochester, N.Y. While she lived her adult years in Rochester, Jan's heart remained closely aligned with Vermont. She and her family spent much time in Middlebury, and vacationed at the Foote cottage on Lake Dunmore. In addition to her husband and children, she is also survived by her brothers, Ralph A. Foote of Middlebury, and Charles R. Foote of New Smyrna Beach, Fla.; and her sister, Thalia P. Beran of Floyd, Va. Alumni survivors include an aunt, Estelle Foote '20 and two nephews, Peter Foote '80 and Richard Foote '80. She was predeceased by her mother, Sylvia Pastene Foote '19, and her father, Ralph Abram Foote '16.

1950

HOWARD C. PECKINS, 62, of Davison, Mich., on November 26, 1989, in Toronto, Ontario, of a heart attack. A native of Utica, N.Y., and a graduate of the Utica Free Academy, he was a U.S. Army veteran before enrolling at Middlebury, where he majored in philosophy and was an announcer and engineer for WMCRS. A 1956 graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy, and an osteopathic physician in Davison for more than 30 years, he was chief of staff at Flint, Mich., General Hospital, and later head of the hospital's general practice department. At the time of his death, he was on the staff at St. Joseph and Wheelock Memorial hospitals. Dr. Peckins was a member of St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church, American Legion Davison Post #267 and the Elf Khurafeh Shrine. He was also a member of Masonic Lodge #236 F & AM, and a member of the Flint Community Players, Flint Institute of Music and the Michigan Osteopathic Association. He was an avid hunter and fisherman. Married in 1958 to the former Barbara Natzke, she survives him, as does their daughter, Barbara, both of Davison.

1951

STUART M. BRIGGS, JR., 61, of Melrose, Mass., on November 5, 1989. Born in New Bedford, Mass., he prepared for college at the Holderness School. He majored in English at Middlebury, was an active member of WMCRS and the *Campus*, and was a four-year member of the Mountain Club. For 17 years he worked in the insurance field, first as a group underwriter for American Mutual Liability Insurance Co. of Wakefield, Mass., and then for the New England Mutual Life Insurance Co. He had also been employed by Thomson's Nursery in Danvers, Mass., and Mac's Garden Center in Stoneham, Mass., for a combined period of 20 years. From 1985 until his death he was a job counselor at the Division of Employment Security. Mr. Briggs had been the author of a column on gardening that appeared in several local newspapers. A U.S. Army veteran, he was also a past president of the Melrose Band Aiders and a member

of St. John's Episcopal Church in Saugus, Mass. He is survived by his wife, Doris Evensen Briggs; a son, James L. Briggs of Melrose; a daughter, Mrs. Dana (Anne) Burns of Tewksbury, Mass.; his mother, Ruth Lawrence Briggs of Newton, Mass.; a brother, William M.L. Briggs of Paris, Ill.; a sister, Lavinia R. Abel of Newton, Mass.; a granddaughter; and many nieces and nephews.

1954

ROBERT D. WHITNEY, 57, of Trumbull, Conn., on November 22, 1989. Born in Bridgeport, Conn., to Robert H. Whitney '22 and Natalie (Fairchild) Whitney, he prepared for college at the Taft School. He majored in economics at Middlebury and was a member of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity. After graduation he served in the U.S. Navy before marrying the former Annette Jesionek in 1959. Pursuing a career in banking, he was assistant manager of the Mechanics and Farmers Savings Bank of Bridgeport at the time of his death. He had been a resident of Trumbull for 14 years. He earned his private pilot's license in 1972. In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Cynthia Ann Whitney of Trumbull; a sister, Mrs. Cort R. DeVoe of Mystic, Conn.; and several nieces and nephews.

1955

RICHARD JOHN MAKIN, 56, of Gloucester, Mass., on January 10, 1990, of cancer. Dick grew up in Rochester, N.Y., where he graduated from Irondequoit High School. At Middlebury, he majored in geology and was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He served on the Men's Undergraduate Association for four years, on the Athletic Council for three years, and on the judicial board during his junior and senior years. He was honored by election to Waubanakee and to Blue Key, of which he was named president in his senior year. He also served the Class of '55 as class president in 1951-52 and as vice president in 1953-54. An outstanding athlete, Dick played football and baseball for Middlebury all four years, and he served as captain of the baseball team in his senior year. After Middlebury and a stint in the Army (Fort Dix and Okinawa), Dick began a career in sales and marketing, most often with manufacturers of sporting goods and equipment. For many years he was marketing manager of Atkins & Merrill's fiberglass products division in Massachusetts, and later, vice president of marketing for Dovre Ski Binding in Concord, Mass. At the time of his death, Dick was vice president of sales for THL Group in Manchester, Mass., a distributor of recreational products. He married Pat Hinman '55 in 1958 and enjoyed a close and happy family life with Pat and their two children, Cindy Makin Brown '82 and Richard J. Makin Jr. '84. Dick's avocation was that of a coach and teacher. He was very involved in New England and national ski activities, most notably the Waterville Valley, N.H., race program. In addition to skiing, Dick's athletic interests were legendary. Whether fishing, hunting, backpacking, frostbiting, ocean sailing, or golfing with his family and many friends, Dick was always an enthusiastic competitor and an avid sportsman. He maintained strong ties with the College. As class secretary, Dick served up a great 10th Reunion for us, and over the years participated in many Homecomings, Winter Weekends and other alumni activities. One of his favorite events was the Gordon C. Perine '49 Alumni Golf Tournament, where he always placed near the top, even in September 1989, the last time he competed in the event. More than 40 Middlebury friends and classmates gathered with others to pay tribute to Dick at a memorial service in Annisquam on January 15. Middlebury Chaplain Emeritus Charles P. Scott participated in the service. A memorial fund has been established at the College in Dick's memory. Contributions should be sent to Gordon C. Perine, Box 500, Middlebury, VT 05753. The Class of 1955 mourns the loss of Dick, one of our key players and a wonderful friend. We send our love and condolences to Pat and Cindy and Rick.
—Nancy Walker Faulkner '55

1957

DIETRICK E. THOMSEN, 52, on July 30, 1988, in New Brunswick, N.J., where he was undergoing treatment for cancer. He was a resident of Washington, D.C. Born in Sayreville, N.J., he was a German and physics major at Middlebury, and was secretary/treasurer of the German Club. He was also active in the Mountain Club and WRMC. At the time of his death, he was a senior editor of *Science News*. During his tenure there, the magazine doubled its circulation and won the 1987 Polk Award for Science Reporting. Before joining the staff of the magazine in 1968, he was a writer and editor at *Physics Today* magazine in New York City. Mr. Thomsen was the recipient of the 1981 Dorothea Roberts-Klumpke Award of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific for contributing to better understanding and appreciation of astronomy. In 1987, he won the Glenn T. Seaborg Award of the International Platform Association, for outstanding work in acquainting the public with important new scientific developments. Survivors include his parents, Dietrick P. and Mary Thomsen of Sayreville, and one brother, Soren Thomsen of East Brunswick, N.J.

1958

JUDITH HALL DAMRATH, 53, of Creve Coeur, Mo., on December 9, 1989. Judy was raised in North Bennington, Vt. She attended the Knox School in Cooperstown, N.Y., for two years and finished her secondary education at Bennington High School, where she was salutatorian of her class. At Middlebury, Judy was a member of the Women's Recreation Association, Women's Forum, and Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. She was especially active in Players, Wig and Pen, and Midd-time Varieties. From her sprightly performance as "Mustardseed" in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, to her portrayal of Mary Martin singing with Ethel Merman (Ginny Davis Irwin '58) to her production of a grade school play in town (assisted by Janet Nightingale Body '59), Judy will be remembered for her acting, singing and directing talents. Judy married Jack Damrath '58 the summer after graduation. The Damraths have lived in Lafayette, Ind., the Chicago area, Houston, a year in Haarlem, Holland, and outside of St. Louis. Judy did post-graduate work in education at the University of Southern Illinois and the University of Houston, and then taught elementary school. Some of her many volunteer activities included PTA, AAUW, Girl Scouts, Junior Great Books and church service. In 1971 she was voted one of the "Outstanding Young Women of America" for Illinois. Judy is survived by her husband, Jack; two daughters, Didi Edwards of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Jenny Doerr of Columbia, Mo.; two sons, John Damrath, Jr., of Exton, Pa., and William, a sophomore at Purdue University; and by two granddaughters born last June. Judy had fought a long, courageous battle with cancer. She continued to prepare for Jenny's wedding and make Christmas gifts until the end. To all of her family the Class of '58 extends its deepest sympathy.
—Ann Parnie Ormsbee '58

1961

ELDRED FARRELL, 51, of Quincy, Mass., on October 20, 1989. Ollie, as he was known to those of us in the Class of '61, will affectionately be remembered as an ever cheerful, flat-topped redhead, twinkling eyes with a trace of mischief. A fun guy to be around, he played freshman football and pledged "Deke." Ollie graduated from Quincy High School and attended Worcester Academy where he was a standout football player. Tragically, on May 30, 1959, Ollie was involved in an automobile accident that left him totally paralyzed of body and speech. Through these many years, he was cared for around the clock by his mother, Harriet Farrell, and a nurse. The devotion and love of his caring family should be an inspiration to us all.
—Bill Wallace '61

1972

ROSALIND REED DWIGHT, 38, of Portland, Ore., on October 21, 1989, of cancer. Born in Akron, Ohio, she prepared for college at the Old Trail School of Bath, Ohio. She spent one year at Middlebury before transferring to Reed College. She was an honors graduate of the University of California at Santa Barbara and earned a Master of Architecture degree at the University of Oregon in 1975. She practiced architecture in Eugene and Portland, Ore., and in California. She was a member of Portland's City Club, the Junior League and the National Society of Architectural Historians. She also served on the board of a local community development organization, and was secretary of the board of directors of the American Institute of Architects. She is survived by her husband, Erik Funke; her mother, Patricia Weinberger of Ojai, Calif.; and her brother, Mike Dwight of Camarillo, Calif.

1974

STEVEN AVEY, 37, of Bell Canyon, Calif., in November, 1989.

STAFF

JAMES W. DODGE, 52, of Middlebury, Vt., on November 27, 1989. Jim served as technical adviser to the director of the Language Schools from 1971 until the time of his death. He was also the secretary-treasurer of the Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, a post he had held since 1973; prior to that he served as a consultant to the board of directors from 1968 to 1973. A graduate of Brown University with a master's degree in applied linguistics, he taught German and linguistics and worked as technical director of the language lab at Brown before coming to Middlebury. He is survived by his wife, Ursula Seuss-Dodge, of Middlebury; and two daughters, Barbara Marina Taurinsky of Derry, N.H., and Nancy-Sonja Dodge Jacobs of Pittsburgh, Pa.

BEQUESTS

From the estate of Jean Foard Colton '43, $8,759.77, bringing the total bequest to $29,647.28 for the General Endowment of Middlebury College.

From the estate of Vera White, $81.04, bringing the total bequest to $166,111.88 for the Rev. Dr. Glenn W. White Endowment Fund.

From the estate of Frances Spear '29, $5,000 for the General Endowment of Middlebury College.

From the estate of Helen M. Levene '27, $37,898.36, bringing the total bequest to $172,898.36.

From the estate of Chester M. Way, $20,000, the income to be used for the maintenance and upkeep of the Gamaliel Painter House.

From the estate of Ruthalia Keim, $485.76, bringing the total bequest to $17,493.92 for the Language Schools Endowment Fund.

From the estate of Lewis Smith, $181,787.50 to establish the Donald L. Frederickson '25 Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Coronary Care

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okay , I am okay, or at least that's my tortured philosophy, and I seem to experience a strange kind of machismo in announcing to no one in particular, "You know, I don't really have much faith in the medical profession; fact is, I haven't been to the doctor's since I can remember."

In the 29 hours between 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday the seventh of December and 7:30 p.m. on the eighth, I made up for a lot of lost time. I got a check up I could not have drummed up even in my wildest medical imaginings. I was examined by no fewer than four physicians. All told, I had 14 nurses who looked after my welfare. I was poked, prodded, shot, bled and tested, cardiogrammed, intravenously regulated, electrically monitored, counselled, fed and watered, bed-panned and back-rubbed. And as impersonal as it all sounds, it was not. The people who carried out these duties were professionals, every one. They knew what had to be done and they did it with a smooth and efficient decorum.

They — and in time "they" began to acquire names since each one introduced him or herself as Mike or Ann or Caroline or Gunner or Audrey to remember only a few — also knew that what they had to do was probably demeaning to the patient, so they made it as intimate as possible, explaining things very deliberately, making sure I knew the reason for each strange ritual. ("We're taking this blood from you so we can run tests to see if there's been any heart damage.") If they couldn't exactly make you feel at home, they certainly made you feel that your situation was their personal and immediate concern, and that did a great deal to eliminate the initial anxiety. Such special ministrations were far more than I deserved, having bad-mouthed the medical profession for so long.

I also didn't deserve the good fortune of having Andrew Larkin greet me as I was wheeled into coronary care. Larkin wasn't my official doctor. The fact was I didn't have an official doctor. It had been so long since I trafficked with the medical profession that the individual who had previously been "my doctor" had doubtless either died or moved to Tacoma. But I did know Larkin. I had met him socially and discovered we had rowing in common. But he was an athlete of substance, having competed with the Harvard crew in the 1968 Olympics. At that point it didn't really matter what he had been. Right that moment he was a familiar face in these antiseptic surroundings, and whether Andy Larkin knew it or not, he had just been irrevocably appointed "my doctor."

The first thing they do with you when they get you into coronary care is rig you up. Within a matter of minutes I had a set of colored wires running from adhesive connections on my chest — "You're very lucky you're not a hairy man," the nurse told me — to a monitor over the bed and another at the nurse station in the center of the room. I had a little clear plastic bag on a stand hooked up to a vein in my left arm. I had an oxygen sniffer up my nose. I also had an urgent desire to get hold of my wife and let her know that I wasn't exactly where she thought I was.

Communication in and out of coronary care is difficult at best. There is only one phone for nurses and patients, with the priority, obviously, for medical matters. The unit is like a small barracks with six beds separated by curtains and a nurse station in the middle. (On this particular Wednesday, there were three other residents in coronary care, a woman and two men, not one of them a day under 80.) When you've got to make or take a call, they haul the lone phone from the nurse station to your bed, and they don't like to do it.

I rousted my wife out of a faculty meeting at Northfield-Mount Hermon School. She's a cool gun in almost any situation.

"Oh, coronary care, that's interesting. Well, the meeting's about over and I'll be along as soon as I can. Anything you need?"

Unlike the legal system where you're allowed only one phone call, coronary care allows you two. I called my department at the university where a secretary promised to secure everything with my evening class and let the academic world at large know that one of the key linchpins to their entire operation was temporarily undergoing some tests at Cooley Dickinson Hospital.

The tests proved I hadn't had a heart attack, but my problem wasn't so simple as a stomach ailment either. I had something called an arrhythmic heart, which I learned was one that was not functioning as efficiently as it might. Apparently, there are a whole cluster of wires on top of the heart which run the pumping operation down below, and when they get out of whack they make the heart beat in ways it shouldn't. Though the mechanism does its job, you don't get a full return, so to speak. It's the same process that allows an eight-oared crew rowing at 32 strokes per minute to overtake a boat which is rowing 40 strokes per minute. It all has to do with synchronization. Such conditions as mine, I was pleased to learn, are not uncommon and can be treated with medication.

A very patient nurse named Caroline Graham explained this to me while providing her own hand-drawn floor plan of the heart which helped me visualize what was going on down there. the more I learned, the more astonished I became. I'd always thought the gasoline engine a modern miracle with all those incalculable things happening just at a precise instant, over and over again. But the gasoline engine looks like a child's invention beside the human heart with its intricacies of electrical impulses, its complex of wiring, its minuteness of timing — my god, the more I thought about it the more I marveled at the fact that any of us are up and walking around.

In my brief stay in coronary care I received just three phone calls, two from friends, one from my father. Somehow, in the mysterious ways of fathers, he had got word that I was in the hospital. This is the same father, mind you, who at 82 had himself had two heart attacks, surgery to remove an aneurism, and bad angina for years. Part of our conversation went something like this:

"Well, chief, I hear you're in the hospital. Where have they got you?"

"I'm in coronary care, dad."

"Coronary care? Good lord, George, that's the end of the line."

But fathers, I am happy to report, are not always right. It wasn't the end of the line. At 7:40 on Thursday, December 8, I walked out into the Cooley Dickinson parking lot and sucked in a long breath of cold fall air. I watched my wife as she walked just in front of me, unlocked her side of the car, then got in and reached across to unlock mine. It was good to be with my wife alone again, in that car, bound home. Two lines from a Robert Frost poem came on me with new insight: "Earth's the right place for love / I don't know where it's likely to go better."

The great outback wasn't going to get hold of me quite yet, but this heart business had certainly shoved me up hard against the adult world. Time, suddenly, was a factor.

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Coronary Care

By George Carey '58

I can recommend the nine-mile ambulance trip from Amherst, Mass., to Northampton. It's relatively peaceful, very quick, no traffic problems. You lie on your back on the stretcher and look up at the overhead lights. It reminded me of being down below on a modern sailboat. An attractive nurse named Donna Blanchard held my hand and told me all the while that I was not going to be gathered up into the great outback, at least not right now.

I discovered that to get from an examination table at the Amherst Medical Center to a bed in the Coronary Care Unit of Cooley Dickinson Hospital in Northampton I didn't have to lift a finger. Two efficient young men handled everything. They lifted me effortlessly from the table onto the wheeled stretcher, pushed me gently but swiftly through a hallway down a ramp and into the waiting vehicle. Even when I wanted to lift a finger, when I tried to sit up, for instance, or help them in some way with the clumsiness of my 155-pound body, they restrained me. "I don't think so, sir," one said. "That's not such a good idea." "Any chest pains?" the other asked. These men knew their business. They looked upon me as someone perched at the edge of a major coronary incident and, if possible, they didn't want it to happen while I was in their particular jurisdiction. At the same time, I just couldn't believe that I, a middle-aged man in good health, had a heart that was about to collapse. As it turned out, I was right this time around, but the episode chastened me considerably.

To set the record straight, I am a 54-year-old male who lives a depressingly clean life, physically active, under very little stress. I don't smoke or drink. Spring and summer, I row my single shell along the Maine coast and up and down the Connecticut River. Falls I probably walk 150 miles with the dog looking for grouse and pheasants. During an average winter I cut and split five or six cords of wood. I don't take my job as a college professor terribly seriously. As one colleague said to me after he'd heard of the time I'd logged in coronary care: "You, George, of all people; you're the one free spirit in the whole department."

■ Dispatches

This is another in a series of articles by alumni on their travels, adventures, experiences, etc. We'd be interested to see your "Dispatches," whether from Antarctica or the local PTA. If you have a story to tell, drop us a line with a description of the article, and we'll take it from there. —*T.E.*

I spoke to Donna Blanchard who sat across from me staring at the heart monitor she held in her lap: 'You know,' I said, 'I'm supposed to teach an evening class three hours from now.' She smiled. 'Welcome to the adult world where things don't always work out the way they're supposed to.'

So, why me, I kept thinking as the ambulance climbed into the Route 9 express lane. I felt a little like the dying old woman without vices, the one Mark Twain talked about. "She was a sinking ship," he wrote, "with no cargo to throw overboard."

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Of course. Things hadn't worked out anywhere near the way they were supposed to that very afternoon. I'd set up the time between one and five for student conferences, but when I came back to my office from lunch, I didn't feel quite right. There was a fluttering in my chest as though it were full of air, and I could feel my heart going like a triphammer. I'd had these strange flutterings in my chest for about three weeks or more, but didn't think much about them simply because I'd had the same feeling four or five years before.

Back then I was doing my share of hard drinking, periodically going one-on-one with a bottle of Mount Gay rum and coming out on the sour side of the engagement. When I quit drinking, the fluttering stopped, so I figured it would go away this time if I waited it out. Thinking it was something to do with my stomach, I cut back on the coffee. That helped some, but the strange sensations continued. And so, that Wednesday afternoon when things got really out of hand, I called the Medical Center and they told me to come right down.

My wife had been after me for some time to go into the doctor's. "It's been more than 10 years since you've had a check up, and you might as well go in and have that thing looked at."

"Okay, okay, I'll call up and make an appointment next week."

The litany is as old as marriage itself. But my wife was, as usual, on target. After 30 years, she can smell dry rot in me in ways you just wouldn't believe, and she usually knows the right ingredients to get it removed. I confess to being one of those dingbats who give doctors' offices and medical facilities a wide berth. If I feel

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The latest from Guanlong Cao

"Soul of China," aqua media on paper, 22x34, 1990.

"Vines," etching, 18x24, 1990.

"Life," woodcut, 18x30, 1990

Regular readers of the magazine will remember Guanlong Cao '91, the artist and writer from the People's Republic of China. Cao, now 45, arrived at Middlebury as a freshman in 1987, and began to express himself through artwork, first sculpture (several of his works were featured in the Autumn '88 magazine) and now painting and printmaking. The three works here, along with his sculptures, some of which have now been cast in bronze, will be featured in a show, New Artists, at the Peel Gallery in Danby, Vt., June 2-14.

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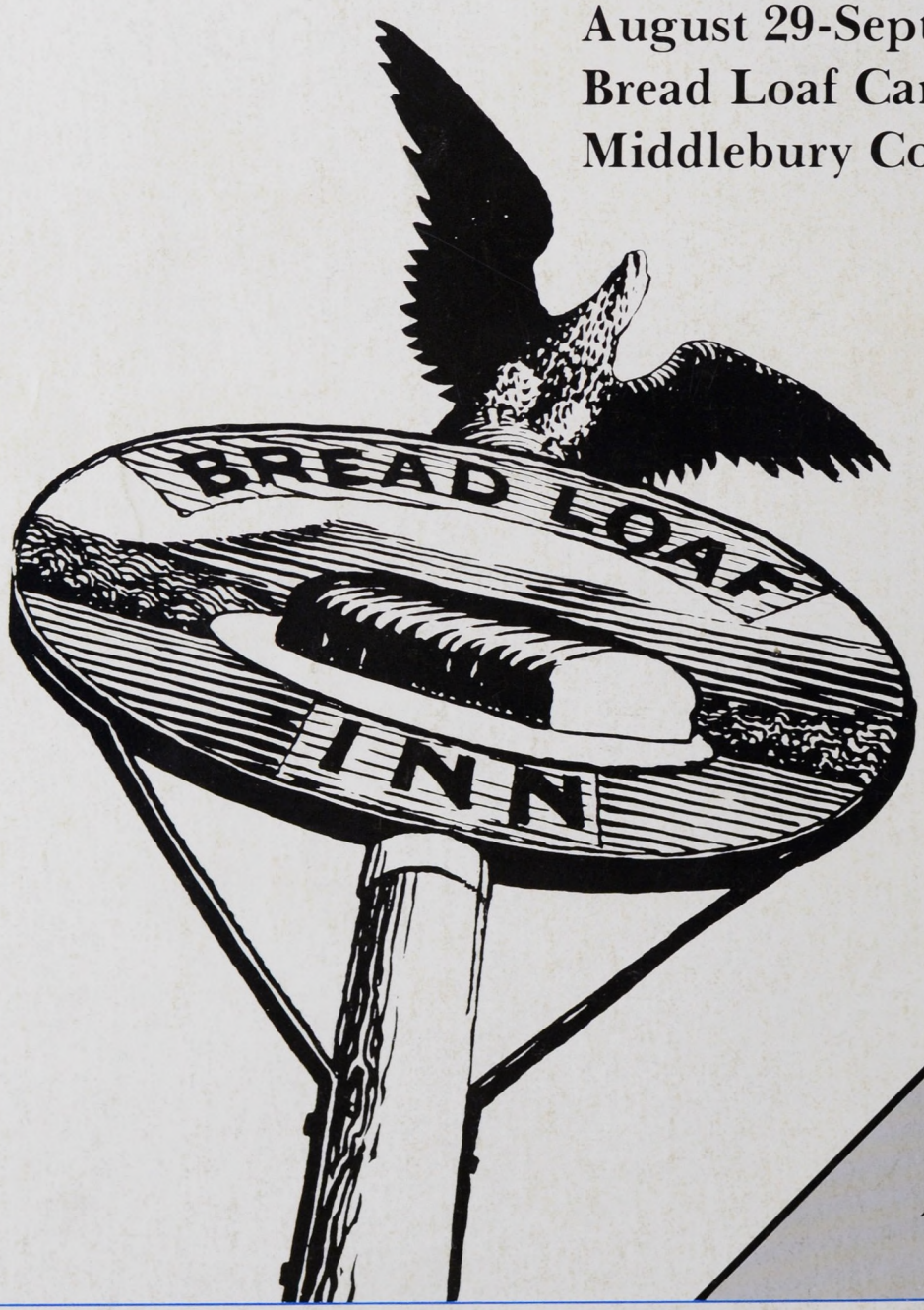

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